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GERMANS FALL BACK RAPIDLY AS DRIVE ON PARIS FAILS AISNE AND OISE CLEARED: FRENCH WEDGE AT LE CATEAU THREATENS NAZI FLANKS

By MILES HANDLER
(UNITED PRESS STAFF CORRESPONDENT)

PARIS, MAY 21 (UP).—THE GERMANS ARE FALLING BACK RAPIDLY IN THE SOUTHERN SECTOR AND THE DRIVE ON PARIS, WHICH AT ONE STAGE BROUGHT THE INVADERS TO WITHIN 75 MILES OF THE CAPITAL, HAS APPARENTLY BEEN ABANDONED.

This is the chief news from France to-night.

It has been summarised in the dry, official communique by four words issued over the signature of General Weygand, the new Commander-in-Chief of the Allied Armies.

The communique stated simply: "The situation has improved."

What this improvement in the situation means to Hitler's hopes of a Blitzkrieg conquest of France may be indicated by events during the past twelve hours in the Reims sector.

The Germans have been everywhere thrown back across the Aisne River, both banks of which are now held by the French forces.

Reims is again in Allied hands.

On the German left flank, the French have launched a Blitzkrieg of their own.

Continuous Raids On Nazi Supply Dumps

STIRRING FEATS BY THE R.A.F.

LONDON, May 20 (Reuter).—The Air Ministry announces that the bomber aircraft of the R.A.F. maintained pressure on the enemy lines of communication last night.

Oil refineries in north-west Germany have also been successfully attacked.

South of Brussels, operations have been carried out against railway stations and bridges.

The railway bridge at Roux sustained a direct hit.

Damage was done to rolling stock and the permanent way.

Troops and tank concentrations were attacked in the Aisne sector.

Near Sedan a lorry park was set on fire.

From all these operations, involving a large number of R.A.F. bombers, only two failed to return despite intense enemy anti-aircraft fire.

Aerodrome Bombed

The aerodrome at Verne, north of Trondheim, was also successfully attacked last night.

A large number of enemy aircraft there were repeatedly bombed and machine-gunned by relays of Hudson aircraft.

Much damage is believed to have been done and seven fires were started.

All day long our fighter aircraft have been called upon to engage with the superior forces of the enemy, to drive off formations of bombers which continually harass the Allied troops and to attack their fighter escorts.

After almost every engagement they return after having inflicted heavy losses on the enemy. Then they immediately take off again to renew the struggle.

One Against Four

Thus, in patrols over France and Belgium yesterday, one squadron of Hurricanes fought over 100 enemy aircraft. In a series of combats they disposed of 11, eight of which were enemy fighters.

One young pilot, who took on four Heinkel III's one after the other, destroyed three of them.

Reports which have been received up-to-now confirm that 30 enemy aircraft were destroyed by R.A.F. aircraft yesterday and many others were heavily damaged.

Victories against such odds are not PLEASE Turn To Page 7.

BATTLE OF THE BULGE

Graphic Description
By Eyewitness

LONDON, May 20 (Reuter).

—"Reuter's" special correspondent with the B.E.F. writes:

"Along the leafy lanes of France across carefully cultivated countryside, the battle of the bulge still rages.

"German heavy columns, led by tanks and shepherded by a vast fan of bomber formations like a flock of birds, are striking westward in a tremendous effort to enlarge the breach in the original Allied line.

Deeds Of Heroism

"In their path deeds of heroism of a high order are an hourly occurrence.

"British armoured vehicles from the north and French from the south charge into the invaders' flank, while French formations challenge them in front.

"Farm carts, motor-cars and lorries turned on their sides, tree trunks, railway trucks and any other kind of obstacle were used to barricade the roads.

"Anti-tank guns are rushed into position; fighting vehicles are sent speeding to the battle; some troops have rushed to fill the gaps. All the PLEASE Turn To Page 7.

GERMAN HOPES CRUSHED

All hopes of German successes in the Montmedy and Longwy sectors near the Luxembourg frontier, where the invaders attempted to flank the true Maginot Line, have been crushed with an overwhelming defeat which has been swiftly followed by such heavy French pressure that the entire German left wing is now compromised.

This defeat not only removes any danger of the Germans getting behind the Maginot Line fortifications but prevents the invaders from using the excellent roads and railways of Luxembourg to bring up their supplies.

The situation in the eastern sector, where the Germans are attempting to break through to the Channel ports, may be summarised as follows:

Allied resistance has increased to such an extent that the German mechanised units were able to advance only two or three miles in yesterday's fighting. This is reminiscent of trench fighting in the last war, where every yard gained took a terrific toll in men and materials.

St. Quentin has apparently reverted to the Allies, but one of the German tank units which succeeded in breaking through during the week-end appears to have approached Peronne, which is only 60 miles from the Channel and which is now the scene of some fighting. (Peronne is on the north bank of the Somme).

Further north, the Allied forces have seriously compromised the German drive on the Channel by driving a deep wedge in the German lines between Landrecies and Guise.

La Cateau is in Allied hands and the Germans have been pushed back ten miles from the River Oise.

If the Allied can succeed in effecting a juncture with the forces operating further southwards, the entire German operation will be cut off and surrounded.

Situation Much Improved

A late French communique, issued at midnight (7 a.m. I.K.T.) reports that the situation at Montmedy (on the right flank of the Maginot Line) is much improved. All German attacks have been repulsed and the Allies are driving into the German left flank. Tons of high explosive are being poured on to the German tank columns.

The definite improvement in the situation from the Allied point of view is further indicated by to-night's German High Command communique, which warns that the German "must take into account now the possibility of a heavy French attack against the southern and northern flanks."

Germany has also been warned that casualties have been heavy and the communique indirectly hints that the German losses on land alone have already exceeded one million men.

"Shock" Troops Stem Advance

PARIS, May 20 (Reuter).—Despite the increasing violence of their onslaughts, the German westward push made comparatively little headway to-day.

After extremely heavy fighting between Allied and German armoured units north and west of St. Quentin, German territorial gains at the close of the day were very small compared with those which marked the early stages of the attack.

It is becoming more and more apparent that the Allied "shock" troops now being brought up are stemming the German onrush.

Confident in its striking force, the German Army is pushing forward, but it is held up on the flanks; while in the centre every inch of ground is being disputed.

The position at Peronne is not clear. It is not known whether the town has been fully occupied by German troops or whether only a slight advance guard has reached it.

Maginot Line Attack Repulsed

Heavy German pressure is also being brought against the fortified region of Montmedy. This salient, which controls the passage of the Meuse east of Sedan, hampers German movements considerably.

A new attack against the Maginot Line at this point was repulsed; as were those launched in the same regions yesterday, with very heavy losses to the enemy.

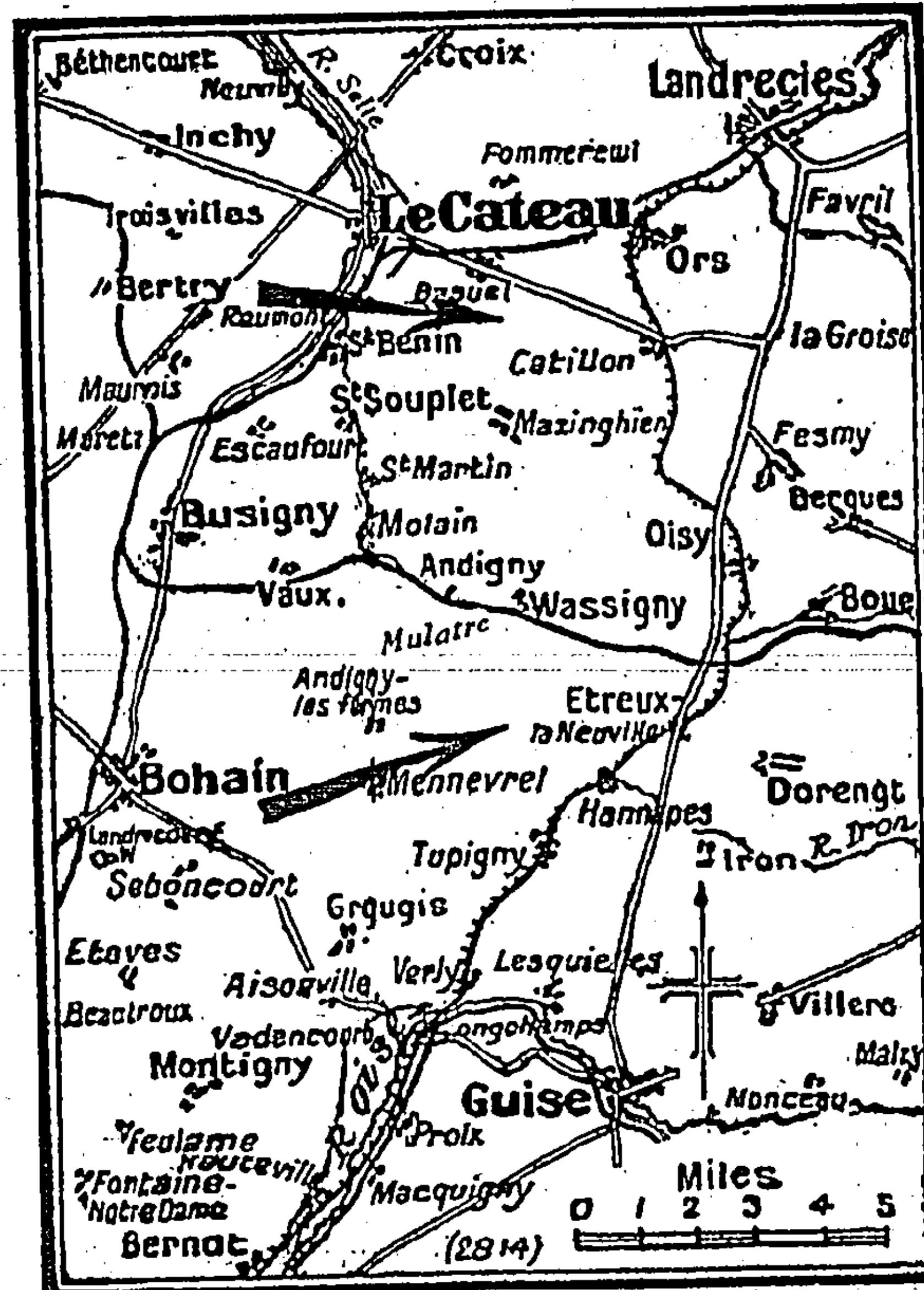
Along the rest of the line to the Swiss frontier, there is nothing to report.

Nazi Gen. To Rule Occupied Belgium

LONDON, May 20 (Reuter).—It is learned that General von Brauchitsch has appointed General von Falkenhausen to be the Military Commander of Belgium and Holland.

The occupied areas in these countries will be under military administration.

Holland will be under the command of General von Falkenhausen until Dr. Arthur Seyss-Inquart takes over his office as Nazi Gauleiter of the occupied areas.



EARLIER REPORTS

SEVERE THRUSTS ON ALL FRONTS

PARIS, May 20 (Reuter).—A War Ministry spokesman stated that the battle is raging with maximum intensity east of Cambrai and Landrecies and that fighting continued all day.

He stated that the enemy did not appear to have made any considerable progress.

Between Landrecies and Lafer on the west side of the Sambre-Oise Canal, German armoured units continued to push west-north-west.

The situation remains confused with a vast intermingling of British, French and German tanks, but it can be said that on the whole the Germans continue to push forward.

The situation in this part of the front is described as "serious."

Two Nazi Raids Fail

In the Reims region, two German efforts to effect a surprise crossing of the Aisne were completely repulsed; only small detachments of the most advanced positions before the Maginot Line.

Summing up the spokesman said: "It can be said that all actions carried out by the enemy failed despite powerful artillery support and successive infantry attacks."

"From Montmedy to the Rhine and along the Rhine there is nothing to report, while in northern Belgium the Allies continue strategic movements without serious enemy interference."

Thrust Still Strong

PARIS, May 20 (Reuter).—To-night's official communique states that the German thrust is still very strong in the region north and west of St. Quentin.

New enemy attacks have been repulsed in the Montmedy region. There is nothing of importance on the rest of the front.

There was great activity of our aviation in the course of the day. Numerous reconnaissance prepared an engagement of bombing formations on armoured enemy units.

Heavy bombing was carried out on the columns, retarding their progress and inflicting losses on them.

Only 8 Weeks' Training

LONDON, May 20 (Reuter).—In our infantry column at the western front, the Germans depend largely on these railways for their supplies.

— Official
**"Drive
May
Fail,"
Nazis
Told**

**Nazi Losses May
Be Staggering**
**PREPARING THE
FATHERLAND
FOR THE SHOCK**

LONDON, May 20 (Reuter).—German official statements about the western offensive show that the Nazis realise the task which the German High Command is facing.

The German public has been warned that the campaign cannot be conducted without casualties. They have been told that the casualties will be less than those of the Somme and Marne in the last war.

Official German archives put the German losses on the Somme then at 700,000 dead, wounded and captured. The losses at the Marne were about the same figure.

A spokesman of the German Propaganda Ministry said in a broadcast on Sunday night that they must take into account the possibility of an attack from central France against the south flank.

The German High Command has to be prepared for the possibility of a German communique also speaks of the possibility of an attack on the north flank.

Allies Attacking

The Allied troops have already attacked between Maubeuge and Valenciennes, according to the communique.

According to the German High Command this is an attempt by the Allied troops to force their way out to the south.

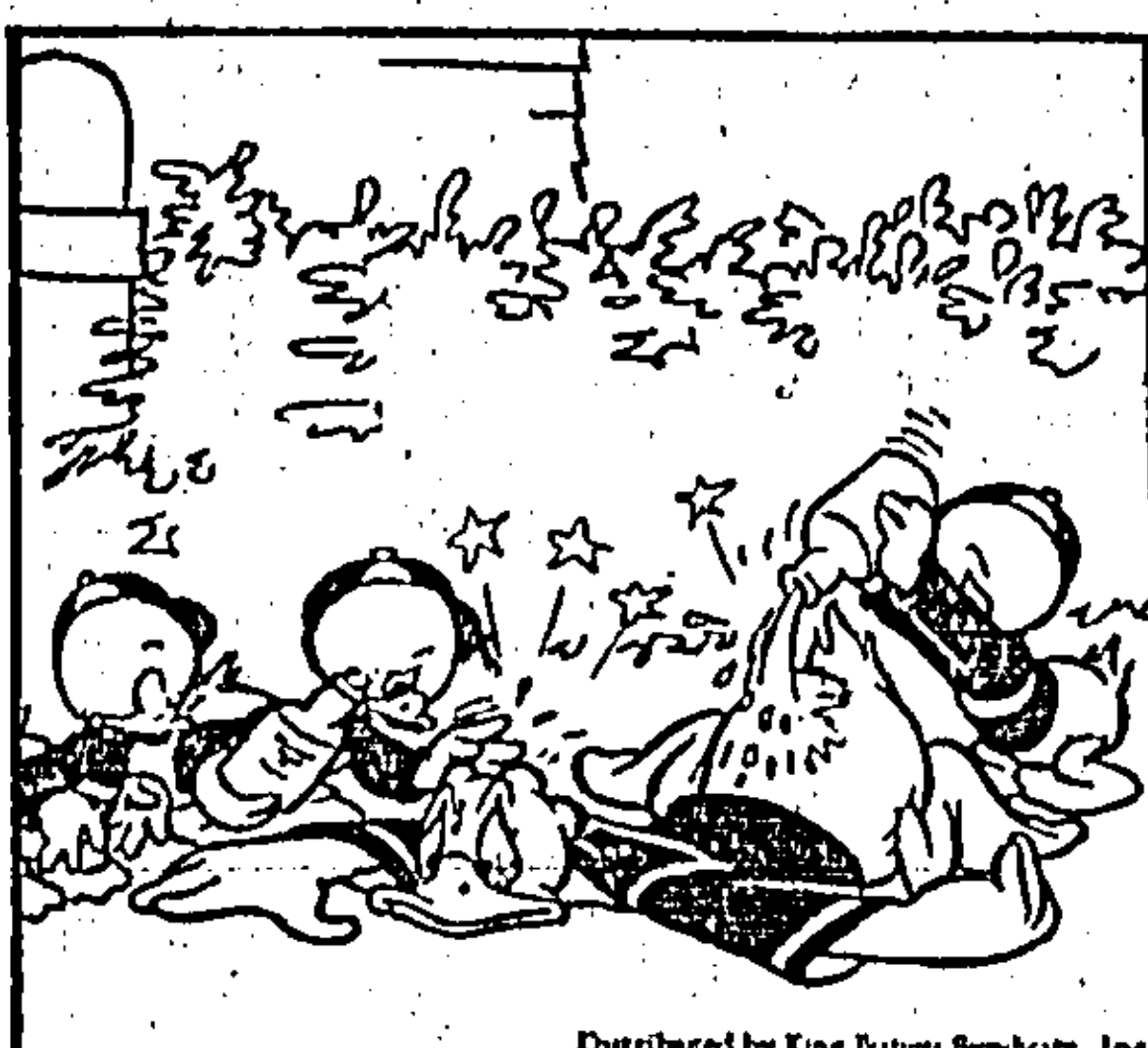
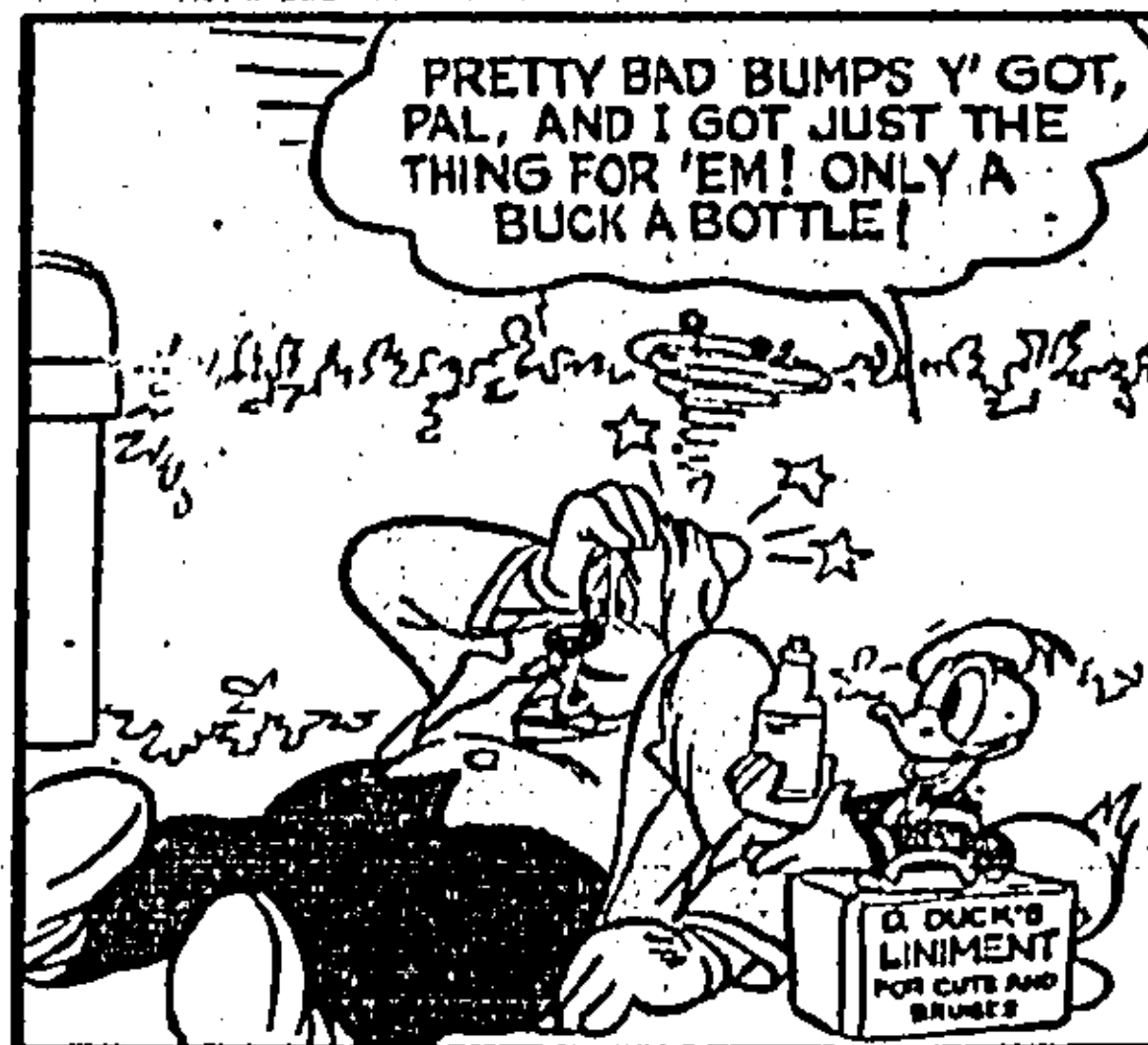
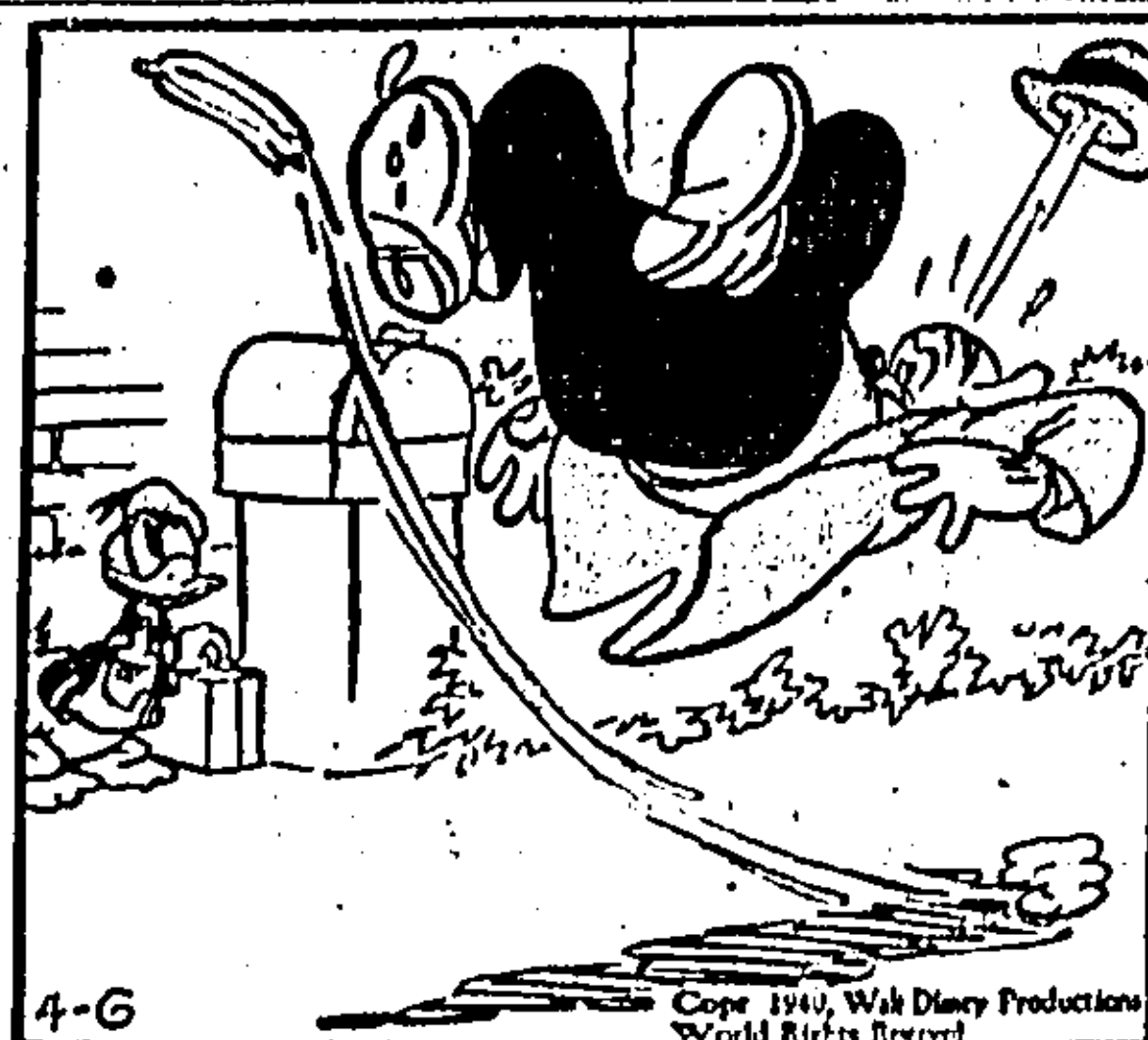
The communique would appear to indicate some activity which is not welcomed by the German High Command.

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1.03 Compositions of Mendelssohn.

1.30 Reuter and Rugby Press, Weather Forecast and Announcements.

1.45 Variety with The Western Brothers, Florence Desmond and Rolo Da Costa.

2.15 Close Down.

6.00 An Hour of Dance Music.

7.00 Closing Local Stock Quotations.

7.02 Selections from Light Opera.

7.30 London Relay—The News.

8.00 Local Time Signal, Weather Report and Announcements.

8.03 Studio—Recital by Angelika Neale, Steinschneller (Soprano) with Piano accompaniment by R. O'Neill Shaw.

1. (a) In the Churchyard (Brahms), (b) The Abandoned (Joseph Marx), (c) Three Russian Songs, (a) No. 4 of Four Japanese Melodies (Ippolitow-Ivanow, Op. 60); (b) Green (Serge Borikiewicz), (c) The Lonely Steppe (Gretchaninow).

8.20 Beethoven—Concerto in B Flat Major.

Pau Casals (Cello) and the London Symphony Orchestra cond. by Sir London Ronald.

8.43 Studio—Piano Recital by Nura Kanis.

Bach—Partita No. 1, (a) Prelude, (b) Courante, (c) Menuet, (d) Allemande, (e) Sarabande, (f) Menuet, (g) Gigue.

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The Transfer Books of the Company will be closed from the 23rd May to 13th June inclusive.

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General Managers,
Hongkong, 16th April, 1940.

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The Share Register and Transfer Books will be closed from the 8th May to the 22nd May, 1940, both days inclusive.

JARDINE, MATHESON &
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General Agents,
Hongkong, 1st May, 1940.

9.15 London Relay—News Summary.

9.30 London Relay—"Cards on the Table."

9.45 Military Band Music.

10.00 A Variety Programme with The Duncan Sisters, "Hutch", The Hill Billies, Oliver Wakefield, Bobby Breen, and Others.

11.00 Close Down.

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The Band of the 2nd Batta. The Royal Scots will play "Retreat" on the grounds of the Club on Wednesday, 22nd May at 6.15 p.m.

The Pavilion and Seats in front will be reserved for Members and their families.

Enclosures will be reserved for The Royal Scots and their guests. A limited number of seats will be provided for the Public who are welcome to attend.

By Order of the Committee,
A. K. MACKENZIE,
Hon. Secretary.

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B. J. ISRAEL,
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SWEDEN DENIES
NAZI DEMANDS

STOCKHOLM, May 20 (Reuter).—A report that Germany had presented far-reaching demands to Sweden, including the right to transport men, munitions and equipment across Sweden to Narvik, is stated to be unfounded by the Swedish Foreign Office.

RIGHTEOUS
WARDeclares Canadian
Political Leader

OTTAWA, May 20 (Reuter).—If ever there was a just war in mankind's history, Canada is now in a righteous one, declared the Conservative Leader, Mr. Hanson, in a debate in Parliament to-day.

Mr. Hanson protested against the weakness of Canada's war preparation in the years past. He appreciated the friendly attitude of the United States, but uttered a warning against depending upon America for defence.

He added: "When we have to shelter ourselves under the Stars and Stripes, on that day the Union Jack will be hauled down, never to go up."

STOCK MARKET
REPORT

Hongkong Stock Exchange Official Summary issued yesterday says: The War news is putting a brake on operations, though H.K. Banks at \$1,350 and Unions at \$455 have proved attractive to a few buyers.

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LONDON, May 20 (Reuter).—"Reuter" learns that Mr. Winston Churchill does not intend to make a statement on the progress of the war to-morrow.

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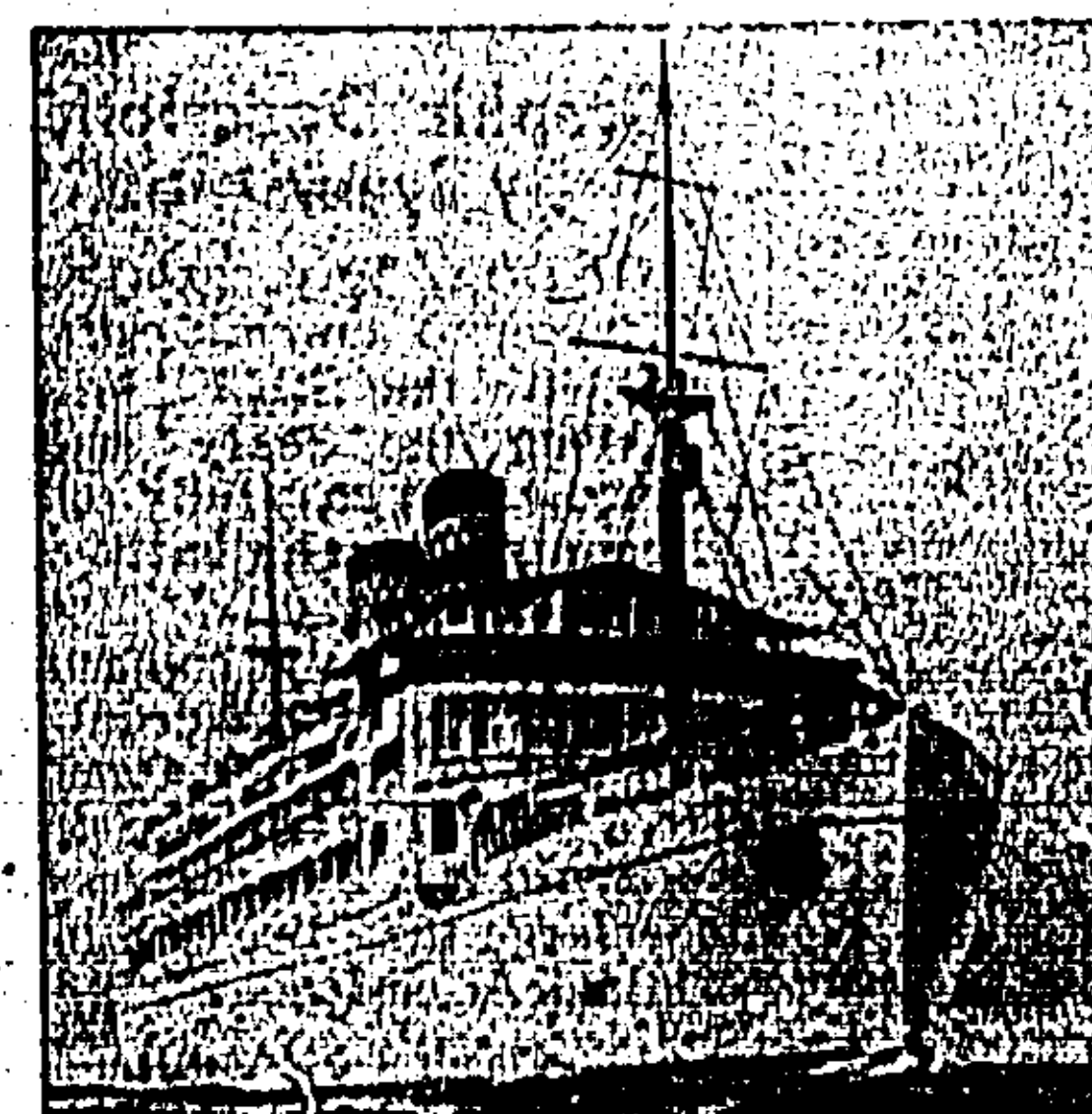
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We All Think SACRIFICE

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OTHER FELLOW'S PIGEON!

—Says Jane Quest

"Most things are not obtained, simply because they are not attempted," says Gracian. How true that is.

We all want this or that, in a leisurely fashion, but we make very little effort to obtain what we want. It is easier to think about it.

WE should like to speak languages other than our own, but that means hard work and concentration. We want to have the gifts riches can bring us, but we won't work to obtain them. We'd rather take a ticket in a lottery and hope for the best. We want to be loved, but we will not make ourselves lovable.

We'd like to travel, see the world, but not one cigarette would we sacrifice towards it.

We want to be slim and svelte, but we like our good meals, and exercise bores us.

We resent growing old, but we don't cultivate our minds. We just let them go, like some old ploughed field that neglected, grows only weeds and thistles.

EVERYTHING in this world, that is worth having must be worked for, even Peace. We all like Peace, want Peace, think we ought to have Peace.

But some of us are content to let the Other Fellow get it for us. The Other Fellow is such a convenient sort of person. Let him fight our battles, carry our burdens, die for us if necessary.

We'd all of us like to help win the war, if we did not have to sacrifice too much. After all, that is the Other Fellow's pigeon.

The rest of us just sit round and wish for Peace.

"Most things are not obtained, simply because they are not attempted."



BRITISH REGIMENTS

The BLACK WATCH Coldstream Guards

OF the many Scottish regiments which have served with the highest distinction in the British Army, none can boast of a prouder record than that held by the famous Black Watch, the senior of all the Highland Regiments.

Its official existence dates from 1740, the year in which it was brought on to the British establishment, but it was actually formed in 1627.

In that year, the British Government decided to establish a unit of loyal Highlanders who would maintain order in the north of Britain, and six separate companies were formed. The men in these companies were the flower of many noble Scottish families.

Ten years later, four new companies were raised and amalgamated with the existing six, the whole force being given the name of the 42nd Foot. Later, the regiment adopted a dark tartan for its uniform and so became known as the Black Watch after the sombre colour of the tartan.

The courage of the Black Watch is proverbial. From the earliest days it attracted men of amazing daring, and the regiment's long record is full of deeds of valour.

At the battle of Fontenoy, for example, when the French defeated an allied force of British, Austrian and Dutch troops, the Chaplain of the Black Watch charged, with drawn sword, at the head of the regiment.

The Colonel at once intervened, and ordered the Chaplain to the rear.

"Damn my commission," the Chaplain replied, and raising his sword once more dashed into the thick of the fight.

AFTER the formation of the 1st Battalion, a second was raised in 1780, becoming the 73rd Regiment in 1786. This regiment discarded the kilt in 1809, but that uniform was restored when the 73rd was amalgamated with the 42nd Foot in 1881.

The red velvet plume which the regiment has worn since 1795, when the Black Watch charged and routed French cavalry in order to rescue two guns that had been lost. It has been said that the red plume originated from the fact that men of the Black Watch had dipped the white feathers they wore in the blood of the enemy.

Another famous battle with which the regiment will always be associated was that of Corunna. During the height of the struggle, that great General, Sir John Moore, called out to the men of the Black Watch, "Remember Egypt, Highlanders." The devoted Scots, however, were reported to have seen the "Land of death" hovering over their leader, and soon after it fell to men of the regiment to carry him back to the rear a dying man.

In the historic siege of Mangalore, 200 men of the Black Watch, assisted by 1,500 sepoys, held out against huge odds for nine months, while at the battle of Magerston, Captain Watson's company led them into action.

During the Great War of 1914-1918, the Black Watch suffered a tremendously high percentage of casualties. They raised 25 new battalions, and out of a total of 53,000 men there were 34,000 casualties.

THEIR battle honours include Guadaloupe, 1759; Martinique, 1762; N. America, 1763-4; Mysore, Corunna, Toulouse, Waterloo, S. Africa, 1846-7, and 1881, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10, 11, 12, 13, 14, 15, 16, 17, 18, 19, 20, 21, 22, 23, 24, 25, 26, 27, 28, 29, 30, 31, 32, 33, 34, 35, 36, 37, 38, 39, 40, 41, 42, 43, 44, 45, 46, 47, 48, 49, 50, 51, 52, 53, 54, 55, 56, 57, 58, 59, 60, 61, 62, 63, 64, 65, 66, 67, 68, 69, 70, 71, 72, 73, 74, 75, 76, 77, 78, 79, 80, 81, 82, 83, 84, 85, 86, 87, 88, 89, 90, 91, 92, 93, 94, 95, 96, 97, 98, 99, 100.

In the Great War they fought at the Marne, 1914 and '18, Ypres, 1914, '17 and '18, Loos, the Somme, 1916 and '18, Arras, 1917 and '18, the Hindenburg Line, and Kut el Amara, 1917.

The regiment is known throughout the British Army as the "Forty Twos"—the Scottish equivalent of the "Forty Twos." The regimental marches are "Highland Laddie" and "Blue Bonnets Over the Border," stirring tunes when played by the pipers.

"Blue Bonnets Over the Border" will always be associated with Sergeant Daniel Laidlaw, the piper of Loos, who won the Victoria Cross in one of the most inspiring incidents of the Great War. With his bagpipes tucked under his arm, he marched up and down the No Man's Land of Loos—under a hail of fire—playing "Blue Bonnets Over the Border" while his regiment, the King's Own Scottish Borderers, charged the enemy with fixed bayonets.

REFUSAL to obey a King's command is not usually a deed to be remembered with pride, but such an episode is cherished with pride in the annals of the Coldstream Guards, one of the most famous of all the regiments in the British Army.

This regiment descends from a force raised by Cromwell in 1650, the companies comprising it being then stationed at Newcastle. The command being given to Colonel Monck, the regiment was first known as Colonel Monck's Regiment, and later as the Lord General's Regiment of Guards.

On January 1, 1660, the regiment marched with Monck out of Coldstream, a village in Scotland from which it derives its name, on its way to London. It was to play its part in the Restoration to the English Throne of Charles II, and it was the only Puritan foot regiment to be kept for service in the Royal Army.

When the regiment was eventually reviewed by Charles II, his history has it that he commanded them to lay down their arms as a sign that they renounced the Commonwealth, and he then ordered them to pick up their arms once more as his "Second Foot Guards."

To a man, the regiment refused to move. They stood solidly with their arms laid on the ground before them, and the King was visibly disturbed. Colonel Monck then said to him, "Sir, this regiment refuses to be known as second to any in the British Army."

The King immediately altered his command.

"Coldstream Guards," he declared "take up your arms."

Thus the original name came into existence, and with it the proud regimental motto "Nulli Secundus" ("Second to None").

AFTER Monck's death, however, the regiment came to be known as the Queen's Regiment, and it was not until 1873 that the title of "2nd Foot or Coldstream Guards" was resumed. In 1817 the first part of the title was allowed to lapse, and the regiment has been known by its present name ever since. The right to wear the bearskin cap followed in 1850.

The regiment is now made up of three Battalions, each Battalion having its separate badges. That of the 1st Battalion shows the Star of the Garter, and at the base the Sphinx, superscribed "Egypt." With a slight addition, the same badge is used for the 3rd Battalion. The badge of the 2nd Battalion is an eight-pointed star in silver within the Garter and ensigned with an Imperial Crown. At the base is the Sphinx, superscribed "Egypt."

The exploits of the Coldstream Guards are fully in keeping with their historic traditions. Among the regiment's battle honours are Tangier, 1690; Namur, 1695; Gibraltar, 1704-5; Oudenarde, Bellinghen, Waterloo, Alma, Inkerman, Sevastopol, Tel-el-Kebir, Egypt, 1882, Modder River, and other famous engagements.

In the Great War, all the traditions were fully maintained in the historic Retreat from Mons, at the Marne in 1914, the Aisne, 1915, Ypres, 1914, and '17, Loos, the Somme, 1916 and '18, Arras, 1918, Hazebrouck, and in the battles on the Hindenburg Line.

AT the end of 1914, outside Ypres, the Coldstream Guards won imperishable fame by holding a position, unrelieved, for three weeks, despite the tremendous force of enemy attacks.

His Majesty King George VI is Colonel-in-Chief of the regiment, and like the other regiments in the Brigade of Guards the Coldstream Guards have a particularly close association with Royalty.

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GOOD baby pictures are easy to take indoors, with photo lights, provided you follow a few simple rules.

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Here is a simple routine which will help you get better baby pictures indoors. First, load the camera with high speed film. Pick a suitable spot for the pictures, and arrange your photo lights for a soft, diffused lighting, with no harsh shadows. A No. 1 and a No. 2 "flood" bulb in cardboard reflectors, four feet from the subject, are correct for box-camera snapshots on high speed film.

Turn on the lights before you place the baby. Put him in position—give him a bright-coloured toy or one that makes a noise—and start shooting. Wind the film immediately after each shot, so as to be ready for the next pose or change of expression. A whole series of good pictures can be taken in a few minutes, and the best expressions will usually come within that time. Five minutes is long enough for the average session of baby pictures.

A fast camera is an advantage in taking these pictures. Use a shutter speed of 1/500 second, with f/8 lens opening, or 1/100 second at f/5.6—and you are more sure of a sharp picture, even if the baby moves slightly at the moment of exposure.

With a fast lens, you can also take indoor pictures by daylight or sunlight coming through a window. The baby picture above was taken in that manner. A f/6.3 or f/4.5 lens is fast enough, if you use high speed film and a 1/25 second shutter speed. In the picture above, the bedspread acts as a reflector, throwing light into the shadows. This is desirable, as there should be no harsh, black shadows in a baby picture.

GRIN AND BEAR IT By Lichty



"You must be extra attentive and tender to Rufus, dear, now that he's an expectant father!"

BEDSIDE BOOK

ALL last week I was in bed with the popular culture. It was a very evil week, for I have not spent a day in bed for five years, and was not accustomed to the ignominy of it.

So I read, and I read History. There's nothing like History for the dumps. History properly related reduces you to your proper stature. You dare not complain of ennui as you witness the Sack of Rome, the massacres of Saint Bartholomew, or the agonised death of Robespierre.

I did not, however, in these days of eudaimonia in horror, I read that most noble work, John Morley's *Cromwell*, the opening volume of Gardiner's *Civil War*, and a volume of Tynbace's magnificent but difficult *Study of History*.

John Morley is grand. Is he forgotten now? I don't know. In any case, his prose is superb. It is deep and solid and wise. It is also surprisingly rhythmic and human. This I had not expected.

HOW history should be written was to me also exemplified by a delightful and exciting new book, "Archbishop Laud," by H. R. Trevor Roper. This costs a guinea, but ask for it at your library.

Can a book about Laud be interesting? you ask yourself—Laud, that little intriguing, narrow, state-serving sycophant?

It can indeed. For one thing, Laud lived in one of the most exciting periods of English history. The duel between Charles I and Cromwell, between despotism and democracy, is being fought again in our own day.

This book is therefore extraordinarily appropriate. Its style is good and sound, its argument exciting. You will begin it lazily and finish it excitedly.

I FOUND a little book of infinite charm: *The Swan of Udd*, of Helen Ashton. It may be remembered that Helen Ashton gave, a year or two ago, a delightful rendering of the lives of William and Dorothy Wordsworth. Now she has done in the same manner a life of Henry Vaughan, the doctor and poet of the Civil War and after.

ATTACKS ON SHIPPING

Britain (ocean-going tonnage) 17,500,000 at the outbreak of war. Loss 667,000 tons.

France 2,932,000 tons. Loss 14,000 tons.

Norway 4,232,000 tons. Loss 188,000 tons.

Sweden 1,577,000 tons. Loss 10,000 tons.

Denmark 1,574,000 tons. Loss 64,000 tons.

Holland 2,970,000 tons. Loss 62,000 tons.

Greece 1,782,000 tons. Loss 6,000 tons.

Germany's counter-blockade has been directed mainly at the merchant shipping of Britain, France, Norway, Sweden, Denmark and Holland. Greece is the only other country which has had losses on the same scale. Out of a total of 1,248,000 tons sunk, 1,132,000 belonged to these seven countries. The total shipping owned by them at the outbreak of the war and the proportion of loss (represented approximately by the part in black at the end of each section) are shown in this diagram. Following the invasion of Norway and Denmark, Germany is attempting to seize as much shipping as possible belonging to these countries.

CHILDREN WHO WON'T EAT

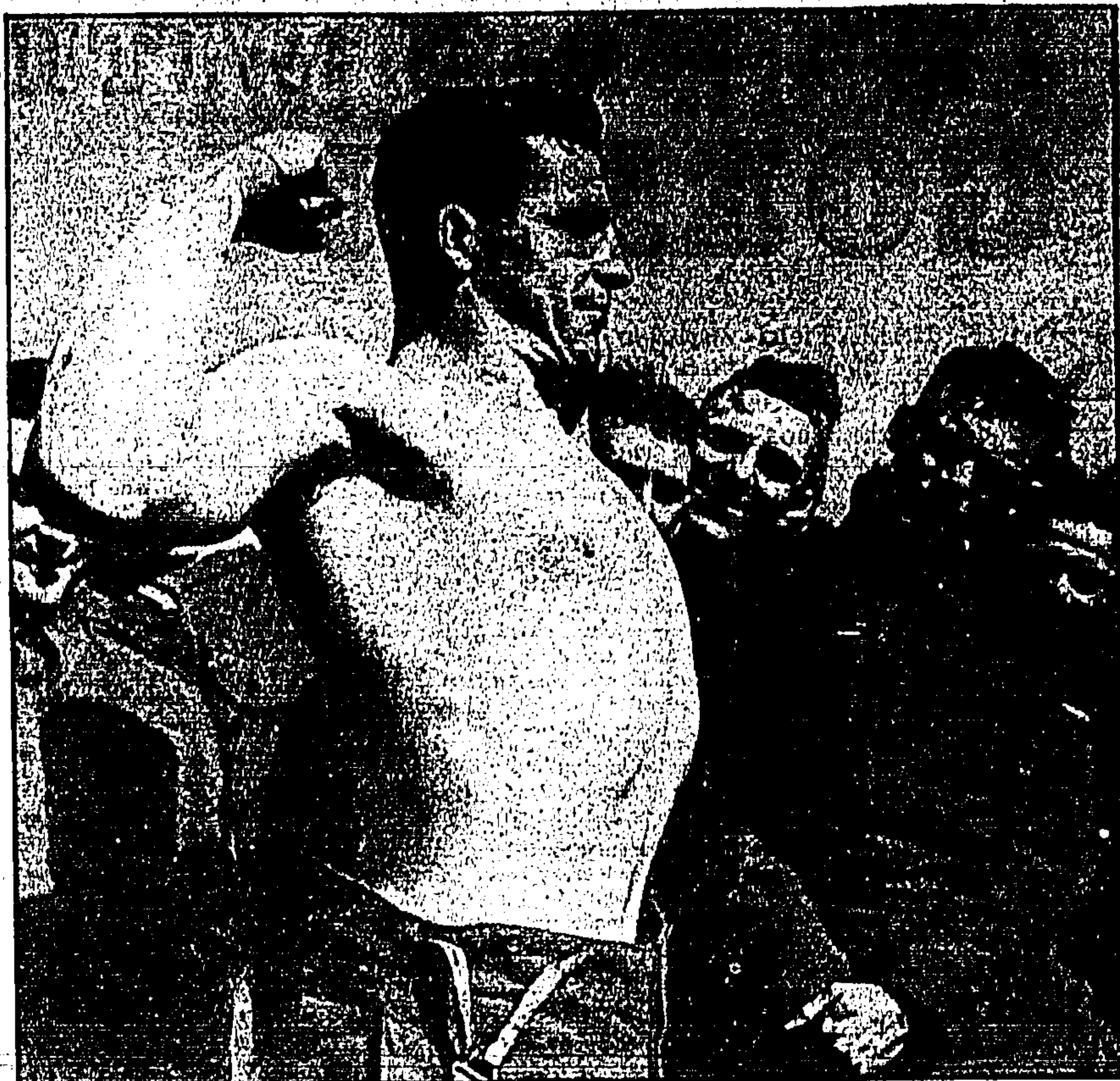
There's nothing so wearing for a mother as a child who won't eat well. Usually such a child is the "nervy" highly-strung type. He picks at his food, looks pale and loses weight.

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Officers and N.C.O.s are trained in the principles of leadership, with a view to becoming instructor-leaders in their regiments.

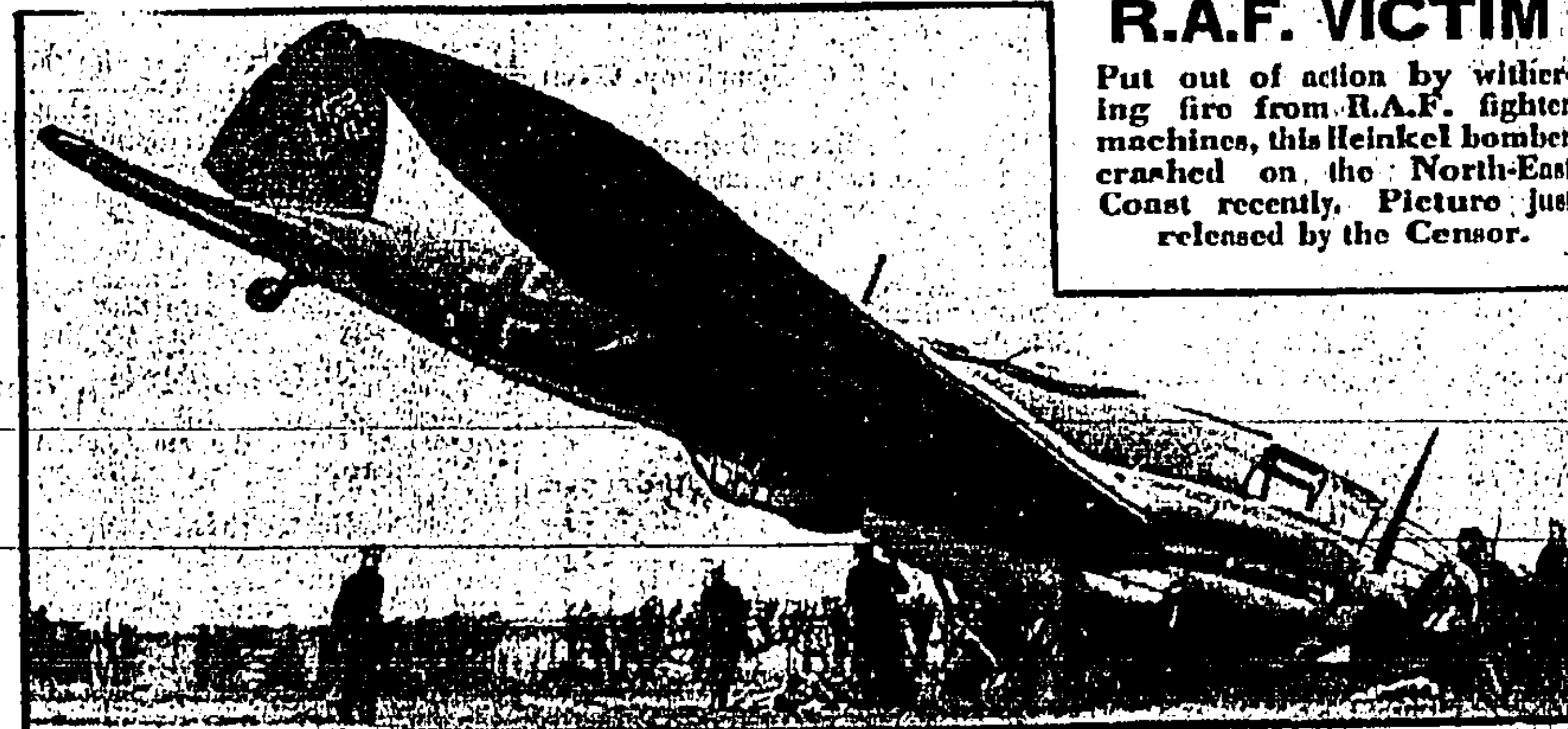
Pictures were taken at the school yesterday, when it was visited by Lieut-General Sir B. N. Sergison-Brooke, G.O.C., London Area. Above and right are two methods of teaching facts about the human body. Below is a new game, Arch and Ball, which combines recreational with physical training.

ARMY LEARNS "PHYSICAL JERKS"—NEW STYLE



R.A.F. VICTIM

Put out of action by withering fire from R.A.F. fighter machines, this Heinkel bomber crashed on the North-East Coast recently. Picture just released by the Censor.



BOMBING OF SCAPA FLOW

WRECKAGE of the cottage near which the first victim, James Ibbister, was killed during the Nazi air raid at Scapa.

The lower picture shows the remains of the cottage from which Mrs. H. Macleod crawled after the bombers had passed.



A Nazi Junkers 88 which crashed on the island of Lolland in Denmark. Bullet holes found in the Junkers proved that it had been in action and must have been on its return from Scapa.



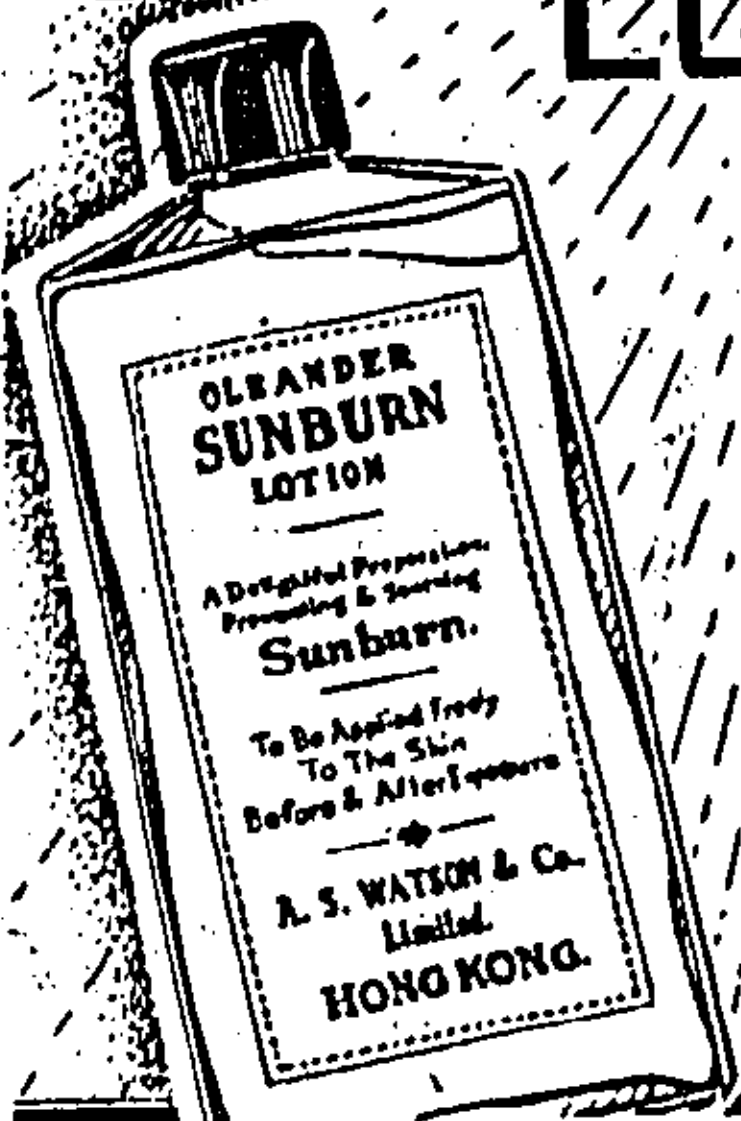
CHAMPAGNE FOR LUCK

London A.F.S. volunteers for six months' fire-fighting service in Finland had their fire engines christened by Mrs. de Geygenberg, wife of the Finnish Minister in London. She is seen, with the ear of Chief Officer N. Smith, with champagne—a Finnish good luck custom.



Herr von Ribbentrop (second on left) with members of his suite at the Vatican when he had more than an hour's conversation with the Pope. He did not wear his swastika armband.

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U.S. And The Lowlands

GERMANY'S invasion of Holland and Belgium has brought the war home to Americans more surely than any other military development in Europe.

The reason is not that Holland has both West and East Indian possessions, although that fact would cause defence chiefs in Washington to put their heads together.

What touches the heart of the ordinary citizen is the constant reminder of Holland's contribution to the settlement and civilisation of the U.S.A.

The President bears a Dutch name. He is a descendant of Claes Martensz, who settled in America in 1630, and took the name Van Roosevelt after his native Dutch village.

One of the leading Republican aspirants for Roosevelt's place in the White House is Senator Vandenberg, of Michigan, who is also of Dutch descent.

Many of America's leading families bear Dutch names—the Vanderbilts, for example—and the society columns of the newspapers are peppered with such names as Stuyvesant, Van Wyck, Suydam, Voorhees, Schuyler, Hoyt and De Witt.

New York City was once a Dutch settlement. Its name was New Amsterdam. Every American school-child is taught how Henry Hudson, the English navigator, while employed by the Dutch East India Company, sailed into New York Harbour in the Half Moon in 1609 and explored the river that is named after him.

Peter Minuit, first director-general of the new province, bought the island of Manhattan from the Indians with cloth, beads and trinkets worth less than \$25.

The figure of a later Governor of New Amsterdam is etched in the memory of those who stumped about on a wooden log—as is familiar to Americans as Dick Whittington is to Englishmen.

At the entrance to New York harbour is the island named Staten, separated from the New Jersey shore by a channel called the Kill van Kull.

Cornelius Vanderbilt, founder of the Vanderbilt fortune, was born on Staten Island and began his successful career by running a ferryboat service between the island and Manhattan.

The mythical "patron saint" of New York is a benevolent old gentleman named Father Knickerbocker. The Knickerbocker Club was founded in 1891 for the benefit of descendants of the old Dutch settlers.

The first church established in New York was the Dutch Reformed Church (1628), which is now called the Collegiate Church.

The Bowery, the famous street on the lower East Side of Manhattan, derives its name from a Dutch word, meaning "farm." Near this aqueduct thoroughfare is a church called St. Mark's-in-the-Bowery, which preserves the older spelling of the word.

There is a Holland Tunnel connecting Manhattan and New Jersey, Harlem, which was a fashionable residential district before the Negroes adopted it. It is a contraction of Harlem. The Harlem River is the northern boundary of Manhattan.

There is a small section of the city called Spuyten Duyvil. The hamlet of Heath of New York is Van Cortlandt Park.

In New York State, New Jersey and Pennsylvania there are towns, counties, rivers and mountains with Dutch names: Catskill, Peekskill, Schuylers, Krum Elbow, Rensselaer, Watervliet and Schuylkill.

This Dutch influence is confined mainly to the New York area; but New York City is the nerve centre of the U.S.A.

I LUNCHEDED WITH GOERING

KARIN HALL, Field-Marshal Hermann Goering's famous hunting lodge in the Schofheide Forest some thirty miles from Berlin, was one of the spots visited by Mr. Sumner Welles in his recent fact-finding expedition to Germany.

In it, Goering has revived the feudal age, thrown in the baroque period, and topped off the whole with a dash of Renaissance—not the culture of those times, mind you, but Renaissance splendour, baroque gaudiness and feudal high living, in the midst of which the lord and master gorges himself, topos, and roars at innumerable lackeys, who rush to serve him. Goering is Falstaff the Second at Karin Hall, where the smallest beer mug holds slightly over a quart.

The ordinary ones hold a gallon or more, and a common means of proving manly strength among Goering's friends is to pick up a heavy stone mug filled with Pilsner, lift it to the lips with one hand, and take a mighty swig without spilling any. Goering, who has the strength of a bear, can do it easily, and he shouts derisively when his less virile Nazi friends fail to perform the feat.

Bernard Lansing, American journalist in war-time Germany, has been to Karin Hall, Goering's country mansion. Here is his first-hand description of a remarkable lunch party in Germany's most luxurious and eccentric household.

IHAD heard tales of life at Karin Hall, a beautifully situated retreat right in the midst of Germany's largest wild-life preserve and given to Goering by the State of Prussia, but as an American journalist no better than tolerated in Germany I was surprised to receive an invitation to lunch there not long ago.

It came in a large vellum envelope which was delivered by messenger to my flat in war-scarred, gloomy Berlin. The message was inscribed in German on a six-by-nine-inch white card, with a gilt eagle perched upon a laurel wreath surrounding a swastika as a crest.

That Goering regarded it as a command which could not be refused became evident two days later when, although I had not got around to replying, a second envelope arrived, also delivered by messenger. It contained an identification card and information to the effect that a car would call for me on the morning of the appointed day to take me to Karin Hall.

The car, one of the large, black, open Mercedes favoured by Nazi officials, arrived on schedule. Two guards in black uniforms, one of whom doubled as chauffeur, sat in front.

I was bundled, with numerous lap robes, into the rear seat beside a Norwegian newspaperman who was being similarly honoured. He told me what I had already suspected—that this was to be a party for a number of diplomats and foreign correspondents.

The reason for the identification card became apparent when after about twenty minutes, we turned off the highway on to a side road and were immediately

stopped by two S.S. guards in black uniforms.

Some might think that riding in an official car escorted by two members of the Field-Marshal's own bodyguard would be sufficient identification, but not the Germans.

After saluting, one of the S.S. boys asked for our cards, which were taken to a small hut at the side of the road, where, through the open door, we could see both guards with their heads together studying our credentials and checking them against a typewritten list.

Then one of the guards returned and asked in English, "Have you a means of proving that you are the persons mentioned here?"

My companion and I gave him our passports and Press cards, and these were also taken to the hut, where the guards made notations from the passports. "We must be about there," I said to the chauffeur while we waited. "Oh, no," he replied. "We still have half an hour to go. We shall make two more stops."

Goering doesn't seem to trust his guests," remarked my companion as we produced our credentials for the third time and waited while one of the guards telephoned back to Berlin. "It's not Goering," our chauffeur said unexpectedly and with contempt. "He wouldn't care who came, but those others like to do it."

By "those others" we knew he meant Heinrich Himmler and his Gestapo. The tone of the chauffeur's voice made us curious, and we tried to get him to tell us what he meant, but he shrugged his shoulders and became silent at every reference to the "others."

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"How do you like Goering?" I asked.

"Oh, he's a Mordicker [a regular fellow]," the man replied, his face lighting up. "He has a 10-cylinder compressor sports model, and can he drive it! Never less than about 80 miles an hour when he goes through here."

"And when he swears at his stableman," the chauffeur went on, admiration for his chief fairly bubbling in his voice, "you can hear him all the way across the lake!"

Passed by the final guard, we entered a stone gateway and turned up a drive into a large court flanked on three sides by a low, rambling building laid out in the manner of the North German Bauernhof, or farmhouse.

At the far end of the court was the lodge, made of stone, and in the adjoining wings on either side were the stables and storage rooms. Numerous bears' heads and antlers were mounted on the walls—facing the court, protected from the weather by the overhanging roofs.

AS we came to a stop, attendants attired as German foresters—grey-green coat and breeches trimmed with dark green, black boots, a Robin Hood hat with brush, and a huntsman's dagger in an ornamented sheath—stepped up and opened the door of the car, greeted us with "Heil!" (but so "Hilfer"), and pointed the way to the heavy double doors leading into the lodge, one of which was ajar.

We entered a vast room which ran the entire length of the house and in which among other luxurious furnishings, were beautiful Roman sarcophagi and several magnificent paintings by Lucas Cranach, whom Goering calls his favourite artist.

At the centre of the room, standing in a characteristic pose with his hand resting on a huge oak writing table, was Goering, talking to some guests who had already arrived.

He was dressed in clothes of astonishing originality—long olive-green buckskin boots reaching well above his knees, hedge-coloured buckskin breeches, a white silk shirt with an unusually large collar, and wide, flowing sleeves which tapered

to the wrist, and a dark-green sleeveless suede-leather jacket adorned with buttons made from deer's teeth mounted in silver.

At the moment we came in he was proudly calling attention to these buttons, saying that he had shot the deer himself.

Around his neck was a red tartan cravat, which was kept in place by a great gold pin, and a gold hunting knife in a gold sheath inlaid with jewels hung from his belt, which had still more gold on it and resembled in many ways the less costly belts of American cowboys.

On the left side of his broad chest he wore the badge of the German Hunting Association, a stag with a swastika resting between its antlers. The stag, too, was gold and the swastika was set with emeralds and diamonds.

There were four big rings on his stubby but carefully manicured fingers: the largest, a platinum one set with a ruby and an emerald, was so wide that he could scarcely bend the finger at the second joint.

WEwent over to Goering and introduced ourselves.

He shook our hands vigorously and asked in German: "Did you have a nice trip out?" I said the trip was lovely but I had been uneasy about the guards who challenged us all along the way. "Oh," Goering said with a loud laugh, "you will become used to that in this country. Germans like to have lots of officials to bother them."

Presently a servant opened a pair of doors in the rear of the hall and nodded to Goering. "Who has the best appetite?" the master asked, and

then started towards the dining room, leading the way for the rest of us, eighteen or twenty in all.

We passed several rooms, which I noticed were furnished in sharply contrasting styles. One of them, with Byzantine decorations, had a fountain in the centre of its floor; another had been made to look like an old Viking hall with heavy oaken beams and walls hung with ancient Norse shields and other implements of war.

The dining room was Louis Quinze in decor, done in a restful colour scheme of gilt and soft green; a series of french windows provided a splendid view of an expansive terrace and a lake behind it. Behind each chair stood a lackey dressed, eighteenth century style, in long white suede boots, green velvet breeches and tailcoat with gilt trimmings and white lace jabot and cuffs, but no wig.

The effect of cropped German heads and thick necks bulging out of such delicate finery was a peculiar one.

The luncheon consisted of asparagus soup, trout, saddle of venison, and dessert. In front of each guest stood four beautiful crystal wineglasses representing different periods of French and German glass-making, and they were filled in sequence as the meal progressed with two French and two German wines of truly impressive vintage.

Goering had the best appetite of any at the table.

He piled food on his plate time and again, and it seemed to me that his wineglass was constantly being refilled.

Once, when his lackey started to remove a half-empty glass at the end of a course, Goering snatched it and yelled "Hinaus!" ("Get out of here!"), laughing violently when some of his guests looked up from their food in surprise.

He had difficulty in keeping the flowing sleeves of his silk shirt out of his plate while eating, and I half expected him to roll them above his elbows.

When the meal was over and we were leaving the dining room, I noticed spots of gravy not only on his sleeves but also down the front of his jacket.



Coffee and liqueurs were served in the Viking hall. Goering talked steadily and mopped his forehead from time to time. Eating had turned his complexion from pink to florid red and he belched loudly now and then.

On an old Norse pedestal and column at one end of the room, with a spotlight focussed on it, was a bust of his first wife, Karin Goering, who died several years ago and for whom the Hall was named. I don't suppose the bust was made entirely of gold—we could not tell—but if it wasn't it was at least gold-plated.

Goering, noticing some of us looking towards the pedestal, pressed a button in the arm of his easy chair, and the bust began to revolve slowly. He kept it moving and sat there staring at it for several minutes.

When no one would accept more of the excellent coffee or cognac, both extreme rarities in war-time Germany, Goering asked if we would like to inspect the rest of the lodge.

We passed through a number of elaborately furnished rooms and then entered his gymnasium, which was equipped with quantities of apparatus for reducing and keeping fit. A rifle range and bowling alley adjoined this room.

Finally we were taken to the attic, where the floor of one enormous room was covered with a bas-relief reproduction of an Alpine setting laid out with the most complex miniature transportation system I have ever seen.

Here, said Goering with a smile, was where he spent his time when it was too wet to go hunting. He pressed a number of buttons, which sent railway trains dashing out of sheds and along tracks while signal lights flashed and switches operated automatically.

Goering with boyish delight, pushed other buttons to make toy motor-cars and trucks go spinning along highways. At last he said, "Now watch," and pressed still another button. A miniature aeroplane with three humming motors took off from the ground, spiralled into the air and curved above our heads.

WHEN it had landed Goering explained that it was guided by wires so fine that they were invisible. He was obviously more interested in his toys than in his guests, and stayed there for over half an hour squinting on his haunches and chuckling loudly to himself as he kept the machines hustling about.

Outside the lodge, a fleet of black cars was lined up along the drive to take us back to Berlin. A squad of eight German foresters stood by, their heads almost circled by long, curved brass horns, and played old calls of the hunt just before we started.

Looking back as my car passed through the gateway, I saw Goering standing in front of his door, his fat legs wide apart, his army khaki, and his long, thinning hair ruffled by the wind.

TUNNY-WINS-Bot ON QUOTATION FROM SHAKESPEARE

NEW YORK
Gene Tunney, the former heavyweight champion boxer, won a bet of \$5,000 dollars to-day from Professor Jacob Taylor of the Ohio State University, over a quotation from Shakespeare.

But he refused to take the money because he said he knew that he was betting on a certainty.

He was reciting the line "Lay on, Macduff!" from "Macbeth" when Professor Taylor interrupted him and said that he was wrong.

Reference to the play proved Tunney to be right. The line occurs in act 5, scene 7.

CHANGE IN POLICIES

French Appointments Analysed

LONDON, May 20 (Reuter).—"Reuter's" diplomatic correspondent states that the alterations in the French Cabinet and High Command make a very definite change in French policy both on the battlefield and world politics.

General Maxime Weygand's reputation for drive and energy is too well-known to require emphasis. The only surprising feature is that his talents have not been requisitioned earlier for the Western Front, although he had a very important position as C-in-C. in the Near East. Undoubtedly his plans will be the basis of Allied operations should war break out in that theatre.

London Appointment
The new ministerial appointments are regarded in London with general approval. The transfer of M. Charles Roux from the Valence to the post of Secretary-General of the Air Force, D'Orsay in succession to M. Alexis Leger, who has been Chief of the permanent officials for many years, is considered very significant.

It will in no way affect the closeness of Anglo-French co-operation, but may facilitate a re-orientation of French policy in other directions.

Turkey Impressed
ANKARA, May 20 (Reuter).—Mr. Churchill's rousing speech and the appointment of General Maxime Weygand have caused a favourable impression in Turkey.

The entire press expresses confidence in a final victory for the Allies.

Appointment Welcomed
LONDON, May 20 (Reuter).—Britain warmly welcomes General Weygand's new appointment as Commander-in-Chief in France.

There is supreme confidence here as in Paris of his ability to shoulder the task.

It is recalled that Marshal Foch on his death-bed said that if France was in danger they should send for General Weygand.

He was Marshal Foch's right-hand man and played a great part in preserving Poland in 1920.

He has recently been the French Commander-in-Chief in the Near East.

To-day at 73 he is still, at the height of his powers of energy.

50,000 Planes A Year

Appeal To U.S. Aviation Manufacturers

WASHINGTON, May 20 (Reuter).—The Assistant Secretary for War, Mr. Louis Johnson, addressed over 100 representatives of the United States aviation industry at a conference to-day to discuss President Roosevelt's appeal for 50,000 planes a year.

Mr. Johnson asked the manufacturers to achieve this goal "as quickly, efficiently and cheaply as possible."

Similar statements were made by Mr. Henry Morgenthau, Secretary of Treasury, Mr. Henry Woodring, Secretary for War and Mr. Hackley, Chairman of Civil Aeronautics.

General George Marshall, Chief of Staff of the U.S. Army, informed the Military Commission of the House of Representatives that the War Department wishes to expand the army's air corps from the present limit of 6,000 to 10,000.

EGYPT TAKING PRECAUTIONS

CAIRO, May 20 (Reuter).—Preventive measures against the fifth columnists in Egypt are well in hand. Special squads have been detailed to keep track of suspects.

Precautions against parachute landings have been taken here.

Malta Prepared
VALETTA, Malta, May 20 (Reuter).—Preparations are being made here to meet any parachute menace.

A volunteer contingent has been formed and there has been a big rush to join the contingent.

STOCK EXCHANGE PRICES DOWN

LONDON, May 20 (Reuter).—On the Stock Exchange to-day, prices were mostly marked down as a precautionary measure in view of the existing international situation, but no selling pressure was seen.

Japanese bonds advanced by one or two points on the possibility of an improvement in Far Eastern relations.

Wall Street was firm.

Quit Egypt, Advice To Americans

CAIRO, May 20 (Reuter).—The United States Legation here has advised all Americans to leave Egypt while the shipping routes are still open.

EIRE CALLS UP RESERVES

DUBLIN, May 20 (Reuter).—It is officially announced that during the week-end certain classes of reservists were recalled to their colours to strengthen the defence forces.

STIRRING FEATS

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won without loss and 14 of our fighters are missing.

Week-End Raids
LONDON, May 20 (Reuter).—It is authoritatively learned that fighters and bombers of one R.A.F. group fought their way through waves of German bombers on Saturday and Sunday.

They brought down over 50 Heinkels, Dorniers, Junkers, Messerschmitts. The R.A.F. suffered less than half of that number of casualties.

They watched 34 of their enemies crash and knew that their bullets had put another 10 planes out of action.

Further Details
LONDON, May 20 (Reuter).—Further details are now available concerning the operations by R.A.F. bombers on Saturday night.

Their objectives included the large oil storage tanks at Milsburg, which is a few miles from Hanover, and the important roads and bridges behind the enemy's lines at Gembloux, Givet, Dinant and Namur.

The attack on the oil storage tanks began shortly before midnight and before the last of the raiders left. On the way home one raider reported that the oil storage tanks at Bremen, which were bombed on Friday night, were still on fire.

New Page in History
LONDON, May 20 (Reuter).—In the last five days the R.A.F. have written a page of history which will perhaps never be forgotten, says Mr. Charles Gardner, the B.B.C. correspondent at the Front.

He paid a tribute of sincere personal admiration to the pilots and crews.

Their main task has been in connection with the battle of Sedan which the French papers say is the biggest the world has ever known.

The action of the advance air striking force has been to bomb the German army's rear without cessation.

The French and British Air Force have done this work.

They have also backed up the French ground troops which stood up to the first great rush.

Another Great Task
To-day they have another task—to stop the supplies, particularly those of petrol, from coming up to the Nazi armoured columns.

The Allied Air Forces are taking what may prove to be a decisive action. They have already had a great deal of success. They have also bombed the petrol stores at Bremen and other cities. The Germans are well aware of the danger of defending their supplies with fighters.

We have fighters too and machines that are better than the Nazi machines and flown by better pilots.

"We Have Come Out Best"
We have always come out best in fighter-to-fighter combats. Our bombers have nearly always managed to fight their way through to their objectives.

Sometimes they had to fly at tree level and even around trees above spitting machine guns.

Perhaps one of the most amazing things about the recent air activity has been the way in which pilots, given up for lost, have reappeared.

BATTLE OF THE BULGE

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time, ships are disgorging fresh troops from England and lorries wheel them from the coast.

"Simultaneously British fighters attack the enemy air formations and bombers blast the ground in front and behind the German columns."

Nazi Push Stopped
"Thus has the German push been slowed down, though in the bewildering changes in thrust and counter-thrust, it is yet impossible to paint a clear picture of events."

"British aircraft continue their valourous career and fighters up to Saturday had positively destroyed over 200 German machines."

The average odds against the British pilots have been four to one. On one occasion 11 Hurricanes attacked an aerial armada of 90 German bombers escorted by 21 Messerschmitt 110's and brought down many of the enemy until only four of the British attackers remained when the bombers turned back without dropping a single bomb.

The Bridge Was Destroyed
"R.A.F. bombers have been equally efficacious. After their raids, enemy tanks have been seen afire and overturned, roads have been blocked with wreckage and bridges have been blown up."

"One of the most important bridges survived eight efforts to destroy it. The pilots and crews of four bombers approached the Commanding Officer and the senior pilot said: 'Sir, can we have permission to finish it?'"

"The Squadron Leader replied: 'Do the four bombers ascend. None returned but the bridge was destroyed.'"

Wellington, May 20 (Reuter).—The whole of the British Isles are now given a three-month special training course while reservists will be given part-time training.

Rousing Call To Duty

Morrison's Appeal To Workers

LONDON, May 20 (Reuter).—"If we waste a minute at our desk or bench we sacrifice a life," declared Mr. Herbert Morrison, Minister of Supply, to-day in a rousing call to the members of his Ministry and all men and women working on the production of armaments.

"I appeal to you in the name of our country, and every person you hold most dear, to give of your very utmost," he added.

"Everything that I can do to extend the scope of the arms drive and enable you to work to the utmost advantage I will do. And I will try to do it in the spirit I commend to you—the spirit of duty, determination and comradeship. Work at war speed," he concluded.

NEW BARON CREATED

Honour For Sir Henry Page Croft

LONDON, May 20 (Reuter).—Brigadier-General Sir Henry Page Croft, Bt., has been created a Baron.

Born in 1881, the new baron served in the European War from 1914-16 and was mentioned in despatches and created a C.M.G. He is the first Baronet, of Knole, Bournemouth, created in 1924.

He was Chairman of the Organisation Committee of the Turf League, 1913-17, Chairman of the Executive of the Empire Industries Association and Chancellor of the Primrose League, 1928-29. A military member of the Hertfordshire Territorial Association and Chairman and Managing Director of the Henry Page and Co. Ltd. of Ware, he also owns a coffee plantation in Kenya.

Excelling At Rowing
His publications are "The Path of Empire" (1912) and "Twenty-two Months Under Fire" (1917).

He was a keen sportsman in his younger days. He excelled at rowing, being in the Shrewsbury School eight for three years and being captain for two. He also won the school sculling, twice, won the Thames Cup at Henley and rowed three years for Trinity Hall, Cambridge.

His heir is Michael Henry Glendover Page, born in 1920.

FOOD SITUATION REMAINS GOOD

Encouraging Statement By Minister

LONDON, May 20 (Reuter).—Lord Woolton, the Minister of Food, states that he is satisfied that his organisation will be able to deal with the distribution of food supplies even in the event of an air attack on any part of the country.

The invasion of the Low Countries, he said, had cost Britain some items of food, but they could be obtained elsewhere.

He has no intention of using his emergency powers to stop brewing by curtailing the supply of sugar, although there will be cuts. All manufacturers will receive not less than 40 per cent. of their pre-war requirements.

Canada To Raise More Troops

OTTAWA, May 20 (Reuter).—According to the "Ottawa Journal," Mr. St. Laurent, King, is expected to announce that Canada will immediately raise a third division of the active service force which would probably mean that Canada maintain two divisions overseas and a third in Canada for supplying reinforcements.

New Powers For Military Courts
PARIS, May 20 (Reuter).—The Council of Ministers met this evening and adopted various decrees laws enabling military tribunals to deal more rapidly with certain crimes which are regarded as especially grave in the existing circumstances.

Safe Guarding The Guilder

BATAVIA, May 20 (Reuter).—Foreign exchange restrictions have come into force in the Netherlands East Indies to safeguard the guilder.

Mediterranean Coast Black-out

JERUSALEM, May 20 (Reuter).—A successful black-out practice on the Mediterranean coast was held on Saturday night.

Haifa and its vicinity are blacked-out every night.

ROME, May 20 (Reuter).—Marshal Badoglio to-day personally reported to Signor Mussolini on the inspection which he has made of Italy's western frontier.

SEVERE THRUSTS

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Front there are soldiers there who have undergone a training of only eight weeks," declared a spokesman of the German High Command in a broadcast to-day.

"But," he added, "they have set their teeth and have managed to do their duty nevertheless."

Rome Stories
ROME, May 20 (Reuter).—After-noon papers to-day display stories of alleged German victories under huge headlines.

The "Piccolo" states that the Germans are continuing "their triumphal march towards the Channel Coast, whence they will be able to deliver a serious threat to Britain."

Threat To Cambrai
PARIS, May 20 (Reuter).—Up to a late hour to-day the military situation had undergone no important changes since Sunday.

A French military spokesman indicated that the Germans had made no further progress except possibly north-west of the bulge. The threat there seems to be aimed at Cambrai.

This is perhaps the crucial sector for it is thought that the Germans are hoping by this push to cut off the Allied troops in Belgium and northern France.

A French spokesman said to-day that both the British and French tanks were in action in this sector.

Confused Situation
On the whole, the situation west of the Sambre and Oise Canal is very confused.

Tanks on both sides are intermingled in the combat.

Both the Germans and the Allies are making local advances and retirement.

The Germans are now using motor cycle columns in a way in which they have not been employed before. These are sent forward during the day and often withdrawn at night.

Four or five armoured divisions are believed to be employed in this particular sector alone.

They have suffered considerable losses and must be feeling the strain. On the whole, however, they are still pushing forward.

Premature Claim
On Sunday, the Germans claimed that they had taken St. Quentin. To-day they claimed to be beyond St. Quentin and pushing towards Peronne.

French sources, however, say that there was heavy fighting east of Cambrai. There is no clear cut front here.

However, the Germans are countering resistance everywhere. German attacks on the Aisne River at Montmedy show that they are still trying to widen the bulge southwards and break its southern shoulder.

Surprise Raids Fail
Attempts to cross the Aisne River have only been local surprise attacks and only one or two units have got across.

On Sunday these were rounded up during the night by the French.

It is indicated in Paris that although in this sector the fighting is comparatively speaking small yet it would be important if the enemy established posts south of the river.

At Montmedy the Germans are battering away at a northern out-post of the Maginot Line and particularly at Montmedy bridge-head where strong infantry attacks are supported by heavy artillery fire.

All the attacks have been repulsed with heavy losses. The Germans have only taken one small block position in front of the line.

South of Montmedy there is still nothing to report.

Place Hope On Roosevelt

Outspoken Stockholm Press Comment

LONDON, May 20 (Reuter).—In Stockholm the newspapers refer to President Roosevelt's recent utterances.

The "Dagens Nyheter" says that "his political opponents hail him as their spokesman."

"All the republics in the Western Hemisphere protest against Germany's attack on Holland and Belgium," the rallying round Wilson gave hardly greater on that April day in 1917 when he broke with the German Empire.

The "Social Demokraten" states that it is clear that President Roosevelt has acquired greater freedom for effective material help to the Allies, and "it can only be a question of days or weeks before the American people hasten to the assistance of their European kinsmen."

OBITUARY

Indo-China Co. Commander Dies At Calcutta

Captain T. Hughes, master of the Indo-China Steam Navigation Company's ship Salsang, died at Calcutta on Sunday. It is not yet known how he met his death, which was reported to Jardine's yesterday.

Captain Hughes, who was born at Penarth, near Cardiff, South Wales, was about 42 years of age. He had been with the company for about 18 years for the last eight years as master. He took command of the Salsang last year.

It is understood that Captain Hughes leaves a wife and two children in England.

Mr. M. W. Stranack
LONDON, May 20 (Reuter).—The death has occurred at Durban of Mr. M. W. Stranack, a Shanghai resident.—Reuter.

A Look Through The "Telegraph"

50 YEARS AGO

May 20, 1890.
According to a home paper, the formation of the native regiment about to be raised for service at Hongkong is proceeding at once. It will consist of 30 European, 45 sergeants, 10 drummers, and 120 ranks and file—total 1015. The next 200 votes have been taken in the current year's estimates.

25 YEARS AGO
May 20, 1915.
A message from Calais says that a Zeppelin dropped bombs there, killing some children.

A Paris evening communique states that the enemy in Belgium, menaced by a complete envelopment by our success, evacuated last night their remaining positions on the west of the Yser.

Reuter's at Rome reports that the newpapers announce the departure of the Austro-German Ambassador is immediately expected to leave in readiness. There have been huge demonstrations in the Italian cities, rejoicing in Signor Ciano's return. It is stated that the crisis has resulted in uniting Italy under the national flag.

10 YEARS AGO
May 20, 1930.
The Royal and Ancient game was never so Royal as to-day when it was watched by the Prince of Wales, Prince George, the Duke of Gloucester and the Duke of York at Sunningdale.

The last of the three palatial motor vessels built by the Nippon Yusen Kaisha for the Orient Calcutta fortnightly service, the Chichibu Maru, will arrive here to-day from Shanghai about noon and will berth at Kowloon Wharf.

5 YEARS AGO
May 20, 1935.
The world awaits with the keenest interest Chancellor Adolf Hitler's speech on foreign policy in the Reichstag to-morrow at 8 p.m. especially as it is believed in some quarters that the chief of German Government have let it be known in Berlin that the mere reaffirmation of Germany's desire for peace won't give satisfaction. What is wanted is some definite contribution from Germany to the system of security.

The problem which has arisen owing to the Italo-Abyssinian disputes on the Italian Somaliland border which has brought these two powerful nations to the verge of war, will be considered by the League of Nations Council on Wednesday or Thursday of this week. It is believed. The League is endeavouring to bring arbitration to the rescue, and to this end is bringing what pressure it is able to bear upon both parties to the dispute.

Mr. Winston Churchill, noted Parliamentarian and a close friend of the late colonel, E. Lawrence, hero of Arabia, was paid a tribute to the young aristocrat who became one of Britain's most famous soldier-statesmen.

to see him in quiet retirement or taking a commanding part in facing the dangers now threatening the country. No such has been the case. The Empire in many years as this young man's untimely death.

Curbing Nazis In The Americas

NEW YORK, May 20 (Reuter).—The Argentine and Uruguay Governments have now taken action to curb Nazi activities, according to a Buenos Aires dispatch to the "New York Times."

The dispatch adds that Chilean and Bolivian newspapers have called upon their governments to do likewise.

The dispatch also states: "M. Deaulac, the former President of the Argentine, has declared: 'There is a well-organised Fifth Column in Argentine.'"

Another Blow For Fifth Columnists

LONDON, May 20 (Reuter).—The Home Secretary has issued an order prohibiting aliens possession firearms, ammunition and explosives without special Police permit.

The order applies to aliens of all nationalities throughout the United Kingdom.

Queen Wilhelmina Receives Envoy

LONDON, May 20 (Reuter).—Queen Wilhelmina of the Netherlands received the American Ambassador, Mr. Joseph P. Kennedy, at Buckingham Palace to-day.

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RECONSTRUCTION OF TENNIS

FINAL SHOOT AT STONECUTTERS POORLY ATTENDED

THE LAST SHOOT of the season at Stonecutters Island drew the poor attendance of only 21 members last Saturday afternoon.

Conditions were good except for a slight haze that came over at 600 yards.

Sgt. G. E. Breese, of the Royal Naval Range Staff, won the aperture sight section with the excellent score of 99. Sgt. R. J. Heap topped the open sight class with 85, but was beaten on handicap by Lt. A. Evans, of the Dockyard Rifle Club, who thus won the handicap spoon.

Leading Scores were as follows:

Aperture Sight	200	300	400	500	600	Total
Sgt. G. E. Breese	99	94	90	85	80	548
W. Trenouth	88	84	80	75	70	517
Sgt. F. Cole	87	82	78	73	68	506
L. A. Guard	86	81	77	72	67	503
W. K. Gillman	85	80	76	71	66	504
L. W. Peckham	84	79	75	70	65	503
L. E. Blake	83	78	74	69	64	508
L. C. Thorne	82	77	73	68	63	503

Open Sight	200	300	400	500	600	Total
Sgt. R. J. Heap	85	80	75	70	65	475
W. N. Medhurst	78	73	68	63	58	440
V. H. Merrett	77	72	67	62	57	435
W. A. Evans	76	71	66	61	56	430
W. K. Gillman	75	70	65	60	55	425
W. N. Medhurst	74	69	64	59	54	420
W. K. Jones	73	68	63	58	53	415
W. N. Medhurst	72	67	62	57	52	413
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W. N. Medhurst	31	26	21	16	11	333
W. N. Medhurst	30	25	20	15	10	331
W. N. Medhurst	29	24	19	14	9	329
W. N. Medhurst	28	23	18	13	8	327
W. N. Medhurst	27	22	17	12	7	325
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W. N. Medhurst	23	18	13	8	3	317
W. N. Medhurst	22	17	12	7	2	315
W. N. Medhurst	21	16	11	6	1	313
W. N. Medhurst	20	15	10	5	0	311
W. N. Medhurst	19	14	9	4	0	309
W. N. Medhurst	18	13	8	3	0	307
W. N. Medhurst	17	12	7	2	0	305
W. N. Medhurst	16	11	6	1	0	303
W. N. Medhurst	15	10	5	0	0	301
W. N. Medhurst	14	9	4	0	0	299
W. N. Medhurst	13	8	3	0	0	297
W. N. Medhurst	12	7	2	0	0	295
W. N. Medhurst	11	6	1	0	0	293
W. N. Medhurst	10	5	0	0	0	291
W. N. Medhurst	9	4	0	0	0	289
W. N. Medhurst	8	3	0	0	0	287
W. N. Medhurst	7	2	0	0	0	285
W. N. Medhurst	6	1	0	0	0	283
W. N. Medhurst	5	0	0	0	0	281
W. N. Medhurst	4	0	0	0	0	279
W. N. Medhurst	3	0	0	0	0	277
W. N. Medhurst	2	0	0	0	0	275
W. N. Medhurst	1	0	0	0	0	273
W. N. Medhurst	0	0	0	0	0	271

Miniature Rifle Section

NOW that the full-range rifle shooting has concluded, keen interest is being shown in miniature rifle shooting and it is hoped that Hon. Secretaries of existing and all newly formed clubs will get in touch with Sir A. F. Evans, Hon. Secretary of the Small Bore Section of the Hongkong Rifle Association, care of the Royal Air Force, Kai Tak, with a view to arranging matches.

He will also be glad to give advice to any persons interested and wishing to form clubs under the Hongkong Rifle Association conditions. It is hoped that a Colony team will be formed in the near future to participate in the Colonial Small Bore Matches and to fire matches with the National Rifle and Pistol Association of the Philippines.

SMALL BORE MATCH

In a Small Bore Match fired at the Central Police Station range last Friday, the Royal Air Force beat the Hongkong Police by 17 points. Unfortunately, Supt. Thompson was unable to compete for the Police.

Police	R.A.F.
Sgt. Ritchie	97
Sgt. Perkins	97
Sgt. Gowans	96
Sgt. Wall	95
Sgt. (Lieut.)	94
Cpl. Naranjan Singh	86
Total:	537
	Total: 574

Reviving Suggestions Three Years Ago For The Improvement Of The Game In The Colony

(By "Tinker")

THREE YEARS AGO—at the Annual Meeting of the Hongkong Lawn Tennis Association on April 29, 1937, to be exact—His Honour Mr. Justice R. E. Lindsell, then, as now, President of the Association, made a few brief comments on the deplorably low standard of the Colony's tennis. Pertinent suggestions regarding the conduct of the Championships and the League were put forward by Mr. A. V. Gosano, and though the objections were then pointed out, the scheme was unofficially voted as sound, and it was understood that the suggestions would be considered.

But three tennis championships have since been played. There have been the same faces each year and the same standards of play and though there were different results in the singles and doubles this year from what were anticipated, these were not so much through improvements as through the dropping off of the Tsui brothers.

The Rumjahn cousins are to be heartily congratulated in providing the upsets. They, at least, are players of a definite standard, and for the past fifteen years have been a constant threat for the doubles and singles titles. But they are past their hey-day—this was recognised in 1935 when the Tsui brothers ended their 11 years' reign as doubles champions—and though it speaks volumes for them that they were able to recapture the title this year, it, perhaps, is a more concrete criticism of the other players who were defeated.

The tennis throughout this last tournament, generally speaking, was dismal. There was little excitement, and the finals were no exception. Is it not, then, time that some measures—any measures—were adopted to reconstruct, and perhaps, revitalize, Hongkong's tennis?

It is for this reason that I have mentioned the extremely sensible suggestions put forward by Mr. Gosano three years ago. These in brief were:

For the annual tournaments: All matches should be the best of five sets; The date of the tournament should be changed to the end of summer (i.e. the end of the tennis season) rather than at the beginning; For the League:

The pairs should be graded into 1st, 2nd and 3rd pairs, and the corresponding numbers of each team meet in a three set match—not, as is now, each pair plays the other.

THE first suggestion for the tournament and the suggestion for the League are based on the same ideal—that of eliminating cautious play and the accompanying pat-ball tactics, one of the most form-destructive features of the game. He argued that in the League, where one set only decides a tie, it is hardly likely that players are going to take the risks of losing a game through indulgence in a hard-hitting and freer type of play. Yet it is only through these latter methods that players of the better type are to arise.

Take, for instance, the drive. How many players are there in Hongkong who strive to gain that fraction of a point, which is made infinitely more important by the calculation that in the League four points may be a game, and six games a match?

How much does overhead work suffer when a slight miscalculation in hitting hard may mean the loss of a point, which is made infinitely more important by the calculation that in the League four points may be a game, and six games a match?

THE tournament suggestion is, as I have said, based on the

Homo Racing To Carry On

LONDON, May 14 (Reuter).—The Jockey Club and the National Hunt Committee announce that racing will be resumed at Manchester and Llanark on May 18. All racing fixtures were cancelled when Germany invaded Belgium and Holland.

Regional Football Matches

LONDON, May 20 (Reuter).—The following were the results of football matches played in the English Regional Leagues to-day:

MIDLAND		
Birmingham	0	Leicester
NORTH-EASTERN		
Bradford	2	Hartlepool

League Rugby

LONDON, May 20 (Reuter).—Hunslet beat Bramley 32-13 in the Rugby League to-day.

same consideration as that for the League. The losing of the first set in a three-set match is far more serious than a similar loss in a five-set match.

First of the objections was that the Hongkong Cricket Club ground would be required for cricket at the end of the tennis season, and the second was that there was not the time in an evening to play a five set match.

Countering the first of these objections was the suggestion that preliminary rounds be played on neutral courts; for there are several Clubs in the Colony who would lend their courts for the tournament. Not only that, the tennis tournament matches are played during the week—not the week-ends. In any case, the tournament could be pushed through in a month, for on neutral courts there would be a greater number of matches could be played each day—Club courts, I think, are limited to eight, and not all are used for the Open Tournament.

Against the time problem, it is pointed out that evenings at the end of summer are much longer than those of February and March—and five-set matches, therefore, are more feasible.

THE most disappointing feature of this year's Open Tournament was the failure of the Tsui brothers. The Colony has, in these two young men, players of note, but, unless they continually play against each other, where is the opposition necessary for them, or anyone, to maintain that standard?

Consider the Singles final. When the super-defensive play of Sirdar Rumjahn proved too much for him, Tsui Wai-pui reverted to similar tactics, and it brought forth caustic remarks. When Tsui met Tsui in the semi-finals, there were some sparkling rallies, and some of the best tennis of the tournament was seen.

There was yet another aspect of the final. Tsui Wai-pui was generally acknowledged as the finest singles player here, and consequently one looked to him to produce shots equal to the expectations. When he didn't, as he often couldn't, there were glum faces.

Tsui, I would say without hesitation, is a distinct relapse from the young player who returned from Europe, and I will also say that unless there is some definite improvement in the general standard of tennis here, the younger players with any prospects at all in the game will never rise above that relapsed standard.

Boston Trounce Cincinnati

NEW YORK, May 20 (UP).—Cincinnati Reds, leaders in the National Baseball League, were severely trounced by the Boston Braves to-day by 13-4. The complete scores were:

NATIONAL LEAGUE	R.	H.	E.
Cincinnati	4	11	1
Boston	13	13	1
St. Louis	0	8	0
New York	6	9	1
(Melton pitched for the Giants).			
Chicago	6	13	0
Brooklyn	4	8	2

AMERICAN LEAGUE			
Washington	4	9	2
Chicago	5	11	1
Philadelphia	6	10	0
St. Louis	4	9	0
New York	2	3	1
Cleveland	10	17	0
Boston	7	12	0
Detroit	10	12	0

Y.M.C.A. Team To Swim Against Australians

THE FOLLOWING will represent the Hongkong Y.M.C.A. against the Australian Naval Reservists on Thursday night in a series of swimming events and at water polo: 50 yds. free style.—F. A. Weller and R. Selator. 100 yds. free-style.—Jordan, L. A. Benn or G. Arnold. 100 yds. back-stroke.—B. S. Wilson and A. T. May. 50 yds. breast-stroke.—L. H. Chater and R. Goldman. 300 yds. free-style relay (25-50-75-75-50-25).—P. B. Wilson, F. A. Weller, B. S. Wilson, A. T. May, L. A. Benn and R. Goldman or G. Arnold. 150 yds. medley relay.—B. S. Wilson (back-stroke), R. Goldman (breast-stroke) and G. May (free-style); L. A. Benn (back-stroke), L. H. Chater (breast-stroke) and F. A. Weller (free-style).

Referees' Meeting

The monthly meeting of the Hongkong Football Referees' Association will be held at the Hotel Cecil on Tuesday, May 21 (to-day) at 8 p.m. As this is the last meeting of the present season, it is hoped that all referees will attend.

SPORTS ADVTS.

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The Secretary's Office, 1st Floor, Exchange Building, (Tel. 27794), will close at 11.45 a.m.

Times are obtainable at the Club House provided they are ordered in advance from the No. 1 Box (Tel. 21920).

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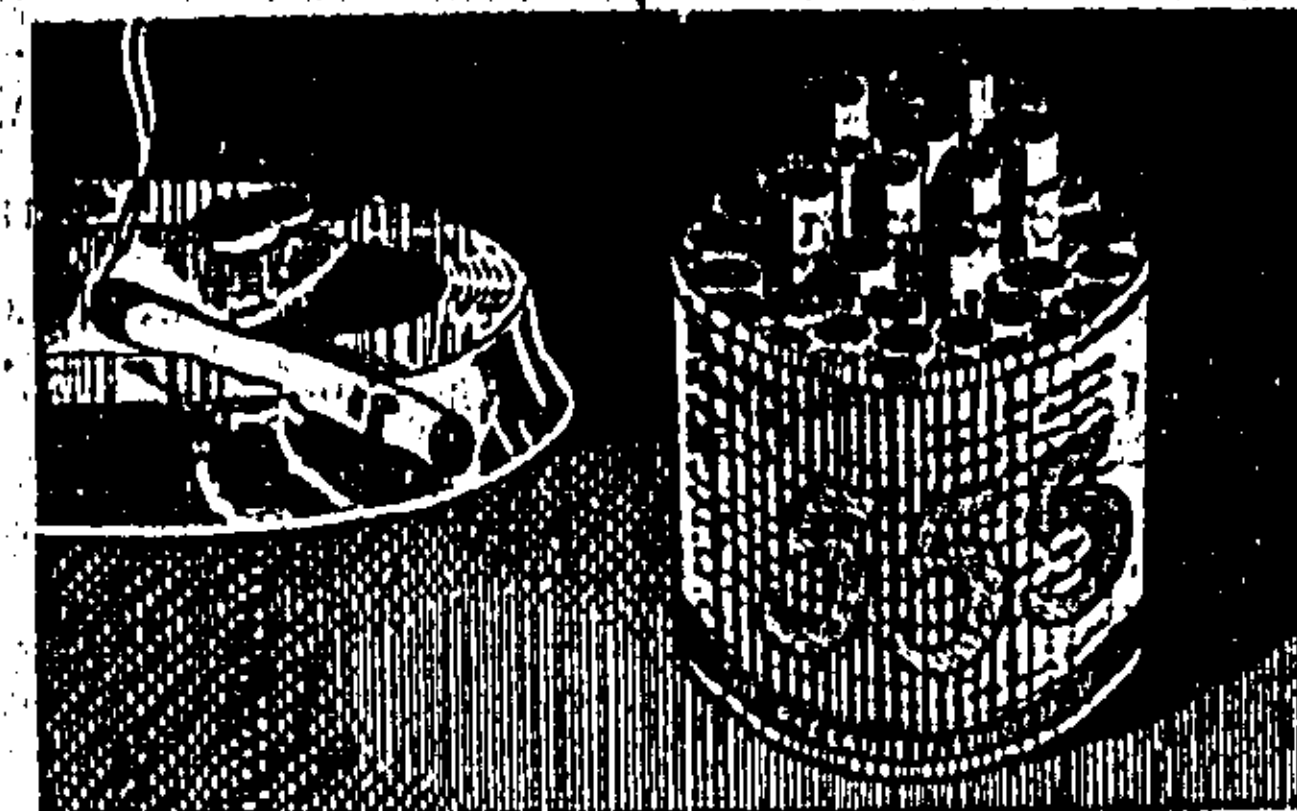
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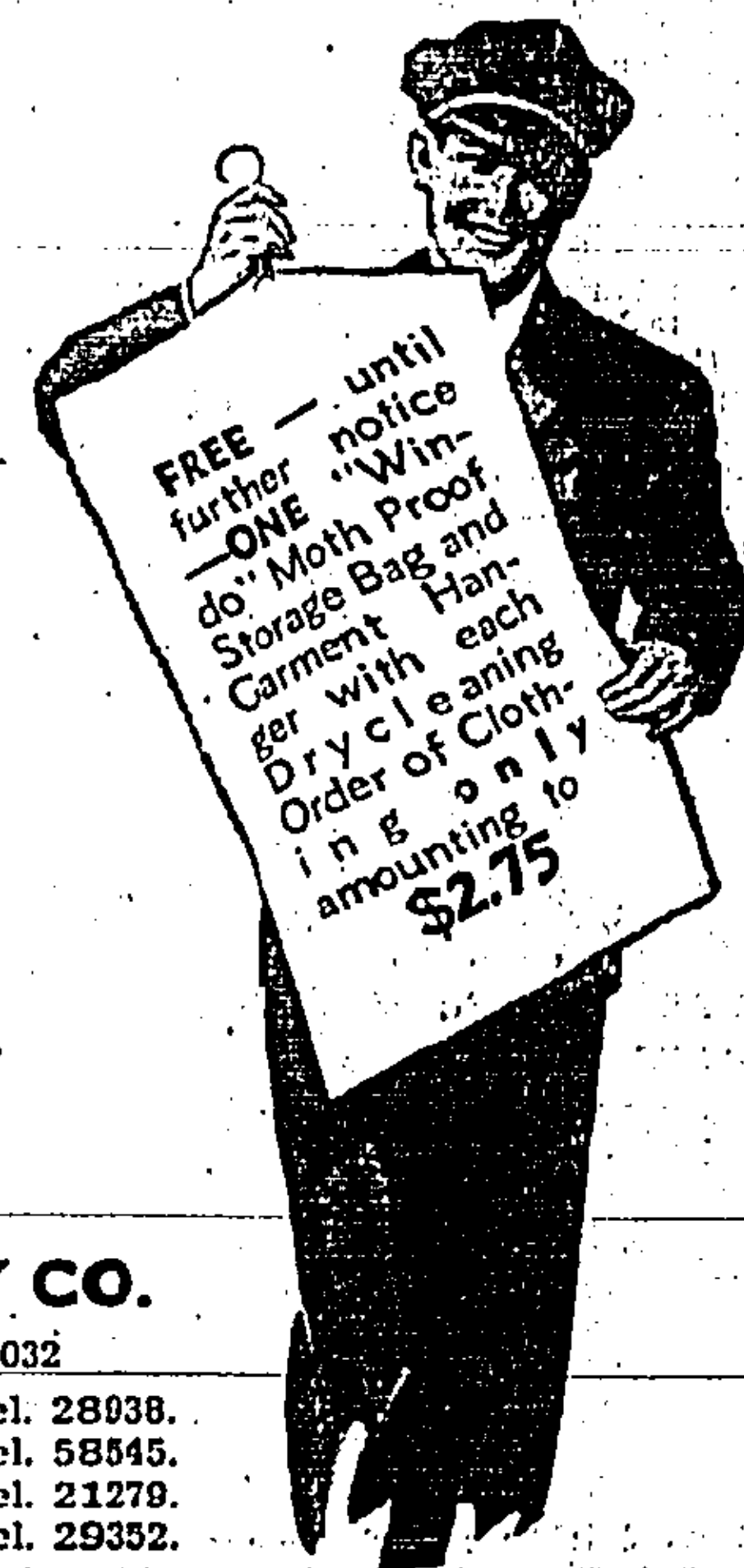
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THIS is the R.A.F. man who asked if he was in France and was told he was in Germany. When peasants ran towards a British bomber which had landed in the half light of dawn, he asked them, "It is France, isn't it?"

By ALAN HODGSON
"RUBY" SPARKS, the man who escaped from Dartmoor on January 10 and has created a record by remaining at liberty for 14 weeks, has been living in a flat in Soho.

He has another "hide-out" at Slough, Buckinghamshire, where one of his closest friends, a smash-and-grab raider, recently took a house.

The two men have been seen together in Soho clubs and public-houses.

£250 For New Face
A man who knows Sparks and his associates well gave me this information. I have every reason to believe his statement.

This man, whom I will call Mr. X, told me that Sparks paid £250 for a plastic surgical operation which has entirely altered his facial appearance.

The operation was performed by a man known to crooks as "The Doc."

"The scar on his right cheek has been removed and something has been done to his eyebrows which makes him look a different man," Mr. X said.

"For some weeks now he has been living in a street just off Piccadilly. He has made frequent trips to Slough, where he has stayed for two or three days at a time."

In Club Raid
While a special Scotland Yard squad detailed to search for him, has been combing West End criminal haunts, Sparks has been seen almost nightly in public.

He is always one move ahead of the police. Recently picked Yard men raided a Soho club. Sparks was there, but he made his getaway with a few seconds to spare.

Someone had "tipped him off."

Sparks is accompanied by a bodyguard wherever he goes. Their job is to warn him of any trouble brewing.

"Narks" Silent

If he goes into a club one of them is left "on guard" in the street. His men are posted at back entrances to the premises.

Police "narks"—criminals who will sell information to the police—have been offered good rewards for information leading to the capture of Sparks.

Nobody has dared to "split." "Some have been threatened with violence if they dare open their mouths to the police," Mr. X said to me.

Several recent big jewellery raids are said to have been the work of Sparks. He is believed to be planning more.

An identification parade was held at Bow-street police station yesterday to try to pick out men concerned in a Regent-street smash-grab raid a fortnight ago.

The police think that if they track down the men concerned in that raid they may secure information which will lead them to Sparks.

Corporal Hitler Was Always Rude

His French Billet Is Now Tommy's

A BRITISH soldier now sleeps in the bed Hitler occupied when he was billeted, as a corporal, in a French village in the last war. This is revealed by a correspondent on the Western Front who interviewed Hitler's former landlady.

"Of course I remember Hitler," she said, "and now he is creating all this trouble I am less likely than ever to forget him. I see by his photograph he has developed embonpoint. But that is the only difference. He is a dictator now. He was a dictator then, or wanted to be. With everything he found fault."

No Manners

"His own comrades didn't like him. They were fed up with his grousing as much as I was. Even then he hated the French. He was always grumbling about 'the way they smoked.'"

"Perhaps worst of all he had no manners. When he had occasion to address me he spoke rudely."



SAME SOUVENIR FASHIONS



It's a new war, but they're still bringing back the old German helmets that were such popular souvenirs in the last.

Tuberculosis Toll In H. K.

Summary Of Cases In Queen Mary Hospital

The following article on the subject of tuberculosis in Queen Mary Hospital is written by Dr. D. J. Valentine, the Deputy Director of Medical Services in charge of the hospital, and is forwarded by the Hongkong Anti-Tuberculosis Association.

In view of the fact that keen interest is being taken at the present time in the campaign for combating tuberculosis in Hongkong, it would not seem out of place to give some account (mainly statistical in nature) of the cases of tuberculosis treated in the Queen Mary Hospital.

On the one hand, it may help to further stimulate public interest; on the other, it cannot fail to show the need for making a more serious attempt at coping with this terrible scourge.

In the absence of sanatoria, where specialised treatment can be given, it behoves all hospitals in the Colony to take their share of Hospital work.

In the Queen Mary Hospital, two wards, one for males and one for females, each containing twenty beds, and named "Pott" and "Night-Ingale" respectively, are specially assigned for the accommodation and treatment of the poorer class Chinese suffering from tuberculosis. Both these wards are always full to capacity, indeed it is more the rule, than the exception, to have extra beds on the verandahs. In addition, there are always a few cases in other wards and private rooms.

For obvious reasons it is not possible to admit all cases of tuberculosis seeking treatment, so that discrimination has to be exercised. In this way cases are selected where it is considered that a reasonable chance of recuperation will accrue from treatment. All too often, however, for humanitarian reasons, patients have to be admitted who are beyond all hope of recovery.

No physician on the staff devotes himself exclusively to the treatment of tuberculosis. Some of the cases are under the care of the Professors of Medicine and Surgery and others are treated by Government Medical Officers.

Daily Average 55

For the year 1939, the daily average total of patients in hospital was 55. The daily average of tuberculous cases for the same period was approximately 33. This represents, roughly speaking, a percentage of 12.

The total number of cases (all causes) treated in the Queen Mary Hospital, during the year 1939, was 10,640. Of this number, 408 were cases in which a primary diagnosis of tuberculosis (all forms) was made. This represents a percentage of 3.8.

This small percentage in no way represents the true incidence of the disease in the Colony. It merely shows the limited attention that, owing to so many other pressing demands, we are able to give to this type of case.

The apparent discrepancy between 3.8 per cent. of total admissions and the 12 per cent. daily average in hospital is explained by the fact that the average length of stay of tuberculous cases is about fifty days, whereas the average length of stay in hospital for the ordinary patient is only sixteen days.

In by far the greater proportion of the 408 cases did this disease affect the respiratory system. The distribution was as follows:

Cases Deaths	
Respiratory system	328 62
Central nervous system	12 7
Alimentary nervous system	8 1
Vertebral column	25 1
Other bones and joints	1 1
Lymphatic system	10 1
Genito-urinary system	6 0
Disseminated tuberculosis	60 7

The number of deaths would have been even larger, but for the fact that some cases were transferred to the Tung Wah Hospital, and other incurable cases preferred to return to their homes.

Lung Infections

It will be seen that tuberculosis of the lungs, commonly known as "consumption," accounted for over 75 per cent. of the cases listed above, and when this is coupled with the fact that the case mortality rate was over 200 per 1,000, it becomes very apparent—urgently so—that the main force of any attack in an anti-tuberculosis campaign must be directed against infection via the air passages.

Methods of diagnosis.—Nearly all the respiratory cases could be diagnosed without difficulty on clinical grounds. A history of poor health, wasting, chronic cough and haemoptysis could be obtained. From the majority of cases, however, it is the rule at the Queen Mary Hospital to have the diagnosis confirmed by both bacteriological and radiographic examinations.

Duration of symptoms.—A remarkable feature revealed in the histories of patients is the relatively short period during which they have complained of any untoward symptoms. As many as 50 per cent. of the cases date the onset of the disease within two months and 80 per cent. within one year.

In many cases this information is not compatible with the advanced state of the disease as revealed on examination. One can only attribute this disparity to the stoical nature of the Chinese, who have accustomed themselves to endure discomfort and minor symptoms of ill-health with indifference.

Age Distribution

Tuberculosis is essentially a disease which manifests itself in early life. This fact is borne out at the Queen Mary Hospital where 58 per cent. of the cases were under the age of thirty. The age at which tubercle bacilli first gain entrance into the body is difficult to ascertain. Of the cases under review, 15 per cent. were under the age of ten. One in every three of the 408 "tuberculous" cases under treatment belonged to the age group twenty to twenty-nine.

Sex.—No special significance can be attached to the fact that two-thirds of the patients were males. Females are less inclined to seek hospital treatment than the other hand, males do not stay in hospital so long, so that the turn-over of cases admitted is greater.

Treatment.—Medication plays an insignificant role in the treatment of tuberculosis. Far more important are nourishing food and rest—both physical and mental.

At the Queen Mary Hospital a special dietary has been worked out for the benefit of cases of tuberculosis. The fat content, mainly in the form of fresh cows' milk and butter, predominates. The daily total calories amount to 3,127. The meals are arranged as follows:

Time	Food	Calories
8 a.m.	Milk	10 oz.
8.30 a.m.	Breakfast Diet, pork or liver	3 oz.
	Egg	1
	Beans	2 oz.
	Rice	5 oz.
	Vegetables	5 oz.
	Butter	2 oz.
12.30 p.m.	Rice	1 oz.
	Milk	5 oz.
	Egg	1
	Sugar	1
	Orange	1
	Fish or chicken	4 oz.
4.30 p.m.	Egg	1
	Rice	5 oz.
	Vegetables	5 oz.
	Butter	10 oz.
7 p.m.	Milk	2 oz. 2 slices
	Bread	1 oz.
	Butter	1 oz.

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BY BERNARD GRAY

GERMANS who were awarded the Iron Cross for bravery against us in the last war are now in France wearing the uniform of the British Army.

And their one complaint is that this time they are fighting with picks and spades instead of machine-guns and rifles.

They are Auxiliary Military Pioneers—labour unit—engaged in vital work in the B.E.F. lines of communication.

Altogether there are more than 500 Germans, and others are on the way.

I found them singing as they worked, "It's a Long Way to Tipperary," which many of them learned between 1914 and 1918 through hearing it floating across No Man's Land from British trenches.

"Fighting For Wifo"

"They never sing German songs," the C.O. of one company told me. "We don't mind if they do, but they themselves refuse. Most of them have had such a bad time in Germany that they want to forget about it."

Some of the stories I heard constitute a damning indictment of the Nazi system, if any further evidence is needed. I can give no names. Most of these men still have relatives in Nazi territory who would suffer if their identity were disclosed.

One fair-haired sergeant was nearly beaten to death in a concentration camp after the Nazis had stolen his business and his money. Turned out of the country, a homeless wanderer, cut off from wife and friends, he found refuge in England.

"My wife is still in Germany," he told me. "I got a letter from her just before war broke out, saying that if it happened she wanted me to join the British Army. I feel as if I am fighting for her, as well as for Britain."

Another had been a prosperous solicitor. "I was lucky to leave the concentration camp alive," he said. "To this day I don't know why I was sent there. The Nazis beat me and shot many of my friends. Let me get at them!"

Crosses Left Behind

All these men with whom I spoke said they had hoped to be able to join the Army as fighters. But all of them realise the value of the work they are doing and tackle it with great enthusiasm.

Their discipline is among the strictest I have seen since I came to France six months ago. And when one man was reported for overstaying his evening leave by a quarter of an hour, the rest got together and sent an apology to the Commanding Officer.

M. Reynaud and M. Corbin, the French Ambassador, seen off from No. 10 by Mr. Chamberlain. Below: General Sir Edmund Ironside arriving for the meeting. He wore his Cross of the Legion of Honour for the first time in London.



The Iron Crosses have been left in England with their personal belongings.

WAR COUNCIL MEETING



Neutral Press Visualise Nazi Defeat

Cite German Failure
Of 25 Years Ago

LONDON, May 20 (Reuter).—The Cairo paper, "Wafd Elmasri," says: "Hitler is sacrificing colossal men and materials in a massed mechanised offensive and has succeeded in breaking through the French lines, though not the Maginot Line."

"Those thinking that it is cause for pessimism should remember the Great War when twice large-scale German offensives took the German armies within measurable distance of Paris, the first leading to the great German defeat at the battle of the Marne, and the second leading to the complete collapse of the German army."

Ignominious Defeat
"In fact the tactical successes achieved by the Germans in 1918 contributed in the long run to their defeat. The enormous losses they suffered and the salients created by these successes rendered them incapable of standing up to the Allied counter-strokes."

"The German system has produced not ultimate victory but ultimate defeat."

Leading Syrian dailies, summing up the events since the Low Countries were invaded, strike an optimistic note, expressing entire faith in the Allies and confidence in ultimate victory.

War Not One Battle
Under the heading "No Justification for Pessimism," the "Annahar," in an editorial, states that war is not one battle, especially the current war, whose parallel is unknown in history. It is a series of battles in which the belligerents face defeat and victory, but the last word will be for those who can stick to the end.

Concluding, the paper says that Germany will pay very dearly for every inch they advance. She is in a hurry while the Allies are not. The German advance on the Western Front is much less than in the last war. Therefore there is no room for pessimism. We have hundreds of reasons that the Allies will ultimately win the war and generations will sing their victory for ages to come.

Millions Hear Woman "Crash" on Radio

NEW YORK.

AN official of the National Broadcasting Company told in a shaking voice of the strange and menacing visit of a woman with English accent who said she was "Catharine Howard, of the B.B.C."

She stalked into the studio at Station WEAJ while a play was being broadcast, threatened the actors with an axe, contributed derisive hoots, and left after delivering a short lecture on the general ineptitude of the production.

Never before has the smooth efficiency of N.B.C.'s nationwide net work been so disturbed.

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Actors Ducked
Eluding attendants outside the N.B.C. building the woman burst into the studio while the play was going on, seized from the sound-effects table an axe which was there to produce a noise resembling wood-chopping, and made a succession of almost lethal swings over and around the actors' heads.

They ducked and turned pale, but heroically went on with their lines, while the woman roamed about the studio, falling over cables, uttering exclamations, and repelling attempts to eject her.

When at last the play ended, the visitor addressed a series of disparaging remarks to the trembling cast and producer; then swiftly left and, before the officials recovered, was in the street, mingling with the crowds.

A B.B.C. official said to a reporter that he had no knowledge of a Catharine Howard employed by the Corporation. [In English history, Catharine Howard was fifth queen of Henry VIII. Married July, 1540; beheaded 1542.]

ROAD TO BE WIDENED

The Government is going ahead with plans to widen the roadway at Causeway Bay to the same width as other portions of the new King's Road.

It is intended to remove a length of approximately 1,400 feet. Tenders have been called for the work, and will be received until June 3.

HIS FIRST FIGHT WAS HIS LAST ONE

SIXTEEN-YEAR-OLD Patrick Edgell fought his first fight at a Nottingham tournament, and won. But he will never box again.

LATE NEWS

Less than half an hour later he saw his brother Dennis, aged 19, fall from the ring and die.

Dennis, who lived at Trent-road, Beeston, Nottingham, did not go to the tournament to box, but to see how Patrick got on.

For, as a winner of 41 fights out of 45, he had been coaching Patrick.

Jumped At Chance
But he took his boxing kit with him on the offchance that he might act as a substitute.

Patrick won easily, the referee stopping the bout.

Then—it was the last fight of the evening—there was an appeal for a substitute, as one of the boxers billed to appear had hurt his hand.

Dennis jumped at the chance. It was in the second round when he fell from the ring. Seconds carried him, unconscious, to a dressing-room.

A doctor was at his side within a few minutes, but Dennis died.

Pointing to a dozen silver cups standing on the table at their home, Mrs. Edgell said that Dennis had won them all.

"Patrick has told me he will never enter a ring again," she added. "I should be terrified if he did."

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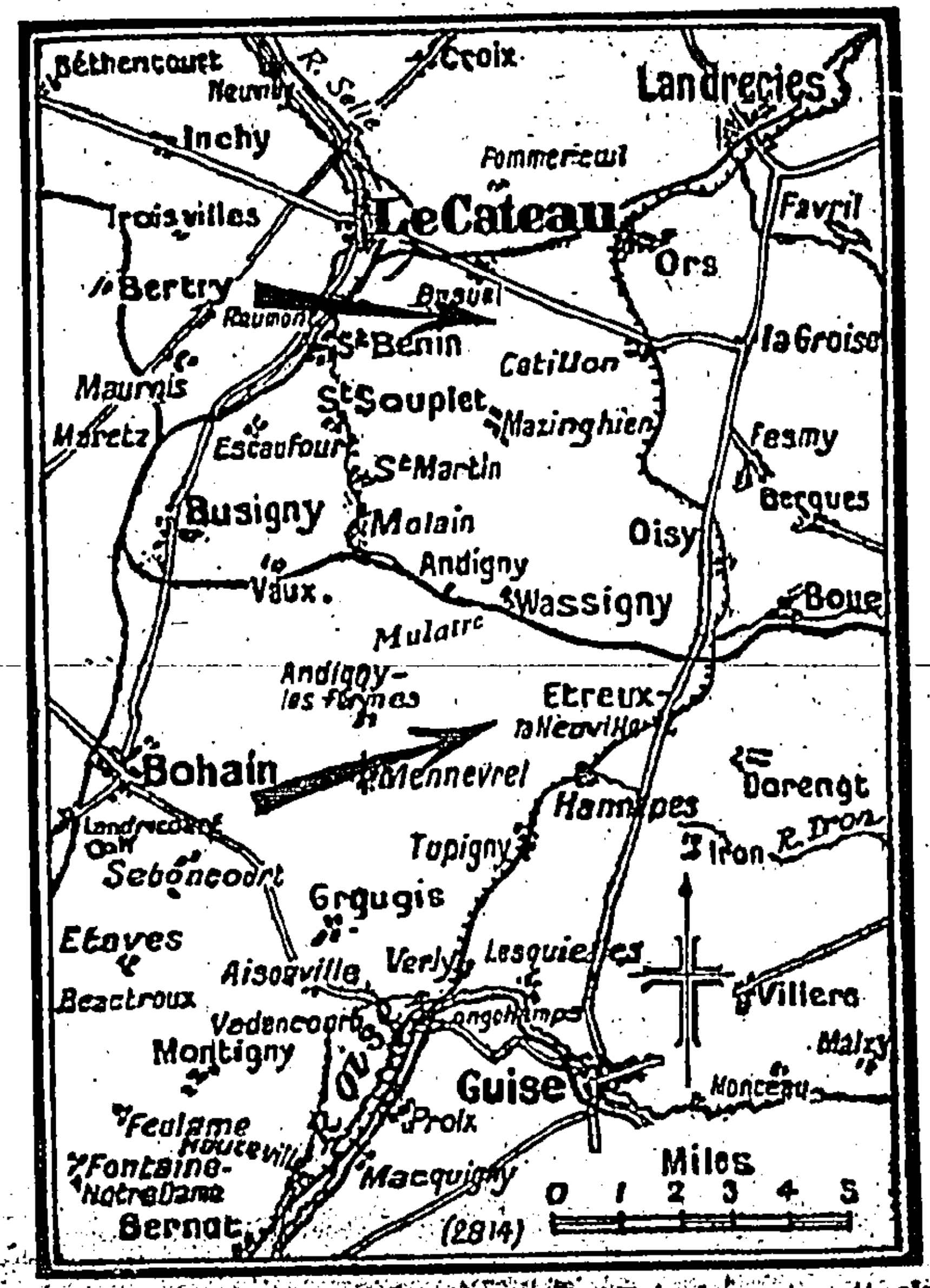
SITUATION IMPROVED

GERMANS FALL BACK RAPIDLY AS DRIVE ON PARIS FAILS AISNE AND OISE CLEARED: FRENCH WEDGE AT LE CATEAU THREATENS NAZI FLANKS

By MILES HANDLER
 (UNITED PRESS STAFF CORRESPONDENT)

PARIS, MAY 21 (UP).—THE GERMANS ARE FALLING BACK RAPIDLY IN THE SOUTHERN SECTOR AND THE DRIVE ON PARIS, WHICH AT ONE STAGE BROUGHT THE INVADERS TO WITHIN 75 MILES OF THE CAPITAL, HAS APPARENTLY BEEN ABANDONED. This is the chief news from France to-night. It has been summarised in the dry, official communiques by four words issued over the signature of General Weygand, the new Commander-in-Chief of the Allied Armies. The communique stated simply: "The situation has improved."

What this improvement in the situation means to Hitler's hopes of a Blitzkrieg conquest of France may be indicated by events during the past twelve hours in the Rethel sector. The Germans have been everywhere thrown back across the Aisne River, both banks of which are now held by the French forces. Rethel is again in Allied hands. On the German left flank, the French have launched a Blitzkrieg of their own.



The arrows indicate the line of the French counter-attack in the Oise River sector.

Official
"Drive May Fail," Nazis Told

Nazi Losses May Be Staggering
PREPARING THE FATHERLAND FOR THE SHOCK

LONDON, May 20 (Reuter).—German official statements about the western offensive show that the Nazis realise the task which the German High Command is facing. The German public has been warned that the campaign cannot be conducted without casualties. They have been told that the casualties will be less than those of the Somme and Marne in the last war. Official German archives put the German losses on the Somme then at 700,000 dead, wounded and captured. The losses at the Marne were about the same figure. A spokesman of the German Propaganda Ministry said in a broadcast on Sunday night that they must take into account the possibility of an attack from central France against the south flank. The German High Command has to be prepared for the possibility. A German communique also speaks of the possibility of an attack on the north flank. The Allied troops have already attacked between Maubeuge and Valenciennes, according to the communique. According to the German High Command this is an attempt by the Allied troops to force their way out to the south. The communique would appear to indicate some activity which is not welcomed by the German High Command.

SMASHING ALLIED FLANK ATTACKS

By RALPH HEINZEN
 ("UNITED PRESS" STAFF CORRESPONDENT)

WITH THE FRENCH ARMIES MAY 21 (UP).—THE FULL WEIGHT OF THE ALLIED ARMIES SMASHED INTO THE TWO FLANKS OF THE GERMAN POCKET AT ITS WIDEST POINT LAST NIGHT. IN THE FIRST OF THE GREAT SERIES OF COUNTER-ATTACKS WHICH MAY NOW BE EXPECTED ALONG THE WESTERN FRONT. The spearhead of the Allied attacks, which mark General Weygand's assumption of the Supreme Command, were launched at Maubeuge in the north and along the Aisne in the south. Held on their crumbling flanks, which are now in imminent danger of disintegrating, the Germans are fighting furiously to prevent Hitler's blitzkrieg machine from becoming completely stalled and smashed on the plains of Flandre.

CAMBRAI READY FOR NAZIS

Civilians Evacuate Famed War Town
 By RALPH HEINZEN

WITH THE FRENCH ARMIES, May 21, (UP).—I was with the last French troops in Cambrai last night when the Germans headed in its direction from the Sambre region, and I saw the city evacuated yesterday afternoon of all its civilians within a span of six hours, despite the destruction of its one railway station by five German bombers. Cambrai is typical of hundreds of towns in that sector which are being fought over to-day after twenty years of painful rising from the ruins of the last war. The town of World War I. They were the martyr towns of the World War. Cambrai suffered particularly. Almost nothing was left except a church steeple which in 1918 rose above an unrecognisable mass of bricks and rubble. The city was built anew on the levelled debris of the last war. Behind the hotel where war correspondents have sheltered in the present hostilities, directly across the street from the last bomb target in town, the railway station—was an air raid shelter trench dug in the tiny triangular park. Trenches have now been dug through five feet of plaster and rubble and, at that depth, the diggers have uncovered a sidewalk and paved a street of the city that had been in 1914, but had not survived four years of hellish artillery shelling and

SUMMARY OF SITUATION

The situation in the eastern sector, where the Germans are attempting to break through to the Channel ports, may be summarised as follows: Allied resistance has increased to such an extent that the German mechanised units were able to advance only two or three miles in yesterday's fighting. This is reminiscent of trench fighting in the last war, where every yard gained took a terrific toll in men and materials. St. Quentin has apparently reverted to the Allies, but one of the German tank units which succeeded in breaking through during the week-end appears to have approached Peronne, which is only 60 miles from the Channel and which is now the scene of some fighting. (Peronne is on the north bank of the Somme). Further north, the Allied forces have seriously compromised the German drive on the Channel by driving a deep wedge in the German lines between Landreies and Guise. Le Cateau is in Allied hands and the Germans have been pushed back ten miles from the River Oise. If the Allied can succeed in effecting a juncture with the forces operating further southwards, the entire German operation will be cut off and surrounded.

Situation Much Improved

A late French communique, issued at midnight (7 a.m. I.I.K.T.) reports that the situation at Montmedy (on the right flank of the Maginot Line) is much improved. All German attacks have been repulsed and the Allies are driving into the German left flank. Tons of high explosive are being poured on to the German tank columns. The definite improvement in the situation from the Allied point of view is further indicated by to-night's German High Command communique, which warns that the German "must take into account now the possibility of a heavy French attack against the southern and northern flanks." Germany has also been warned that casualties have been heavy and the communique indirectly hints that the German losses on land alone have already exceeded one million men. "Shock" Troops Stom Advance PARIS, May 20 (Reuter).—Despite the increasing violence of their onslaughts, the German westward push made comparatively little headway to-day. After extremely heavy fighting between Allied and German armoured units north and west of St. Quentin, German territorial gains at the close of the day were very small compared with those which marked the early stages of the attack. It is becoming more and more apparent that the Allied "shock"

SEVERE THRUSTS ON ALL FRONTS

PARIS, May 20 (Reuter).—A War Ministry spokesman stated that the battle is raging with maximum intensity east of Cambrai and Landreies and that fighting continued all day. He stated that the enemy did not appear to have made any considerable progress. Between Landreies and Laifer on the west side of the Sambre-Oise Canal, German armoured units continued to push west-north-west. The situation remains confused with a vast intermingling of British, French and German tanks, but it can be said that on the whole the Germans continue to push forward. The situation in this part of the front is described as "serious."

BRITISH, BELGIAN LINES INTACT

Skilful Manoeuvre Nonplusses Nazis

LONDON, May 20 (Reuter).—The task of the British and Belgian troops has been to carry out a strategic withdrawal to meet any German attempt to take them in the rear from the spear-head in the south. This withdrawal has been carried out with skill by both the Allied forces. The British have got back without having to abandon any material. At no time did the Germans make a dent in their positions. It is true that the British have not had to face the terrific mass attacks which the French have encountered further south. Fighting All The Time However it would be wrong to imagine that they have not had to fight. They have been fighting all the time and have had to stand up to intense bombing. Our losses are not on a large scale and it is believed that, with reasonable precautions, they need not expect heavy losses due to such bombings. Every time the Germans have attacked they have suffered losses. Magnificent Belgians The Belgian troops, too, have been fighting resolutely. There are no breaks in their lines. Liege and Namur are still holding out. These two forts are of considerable importance because they command

Wants U.S. To Aid The Allies

Newsman Forms New Organisation

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH" NEW YORK, May 20 (UP).—Mr. William A. White, the noted American journalist, has organised a "Committee to Defend America" which has as its main objective complete aid to the Allies in the fight against Germany. Among prominent Americans who have joined the organisation are Mr. Henry L. Stimson, Bishop Manning of New York, Frank Lehman, the Governor of New York, Mr. Frank Knox, the Republican Candidate for the Vice-Presidency in 1936, and Mr. Nicholas Murray Butler, Trustee of the Carnegie Corporation and Nobel Peace Prize winner in 1931. Meanwhile, in Richmond, Virginia, Bishop Cannon has addressed an open letter to Mr. Cordell Hull, urging the Secretary of State to use his great influence with President Roosevelt and Congress to declare war on Hitler and "his followers."

SHOOTING ACCIDENT

Kowloon Girl Is Wounded

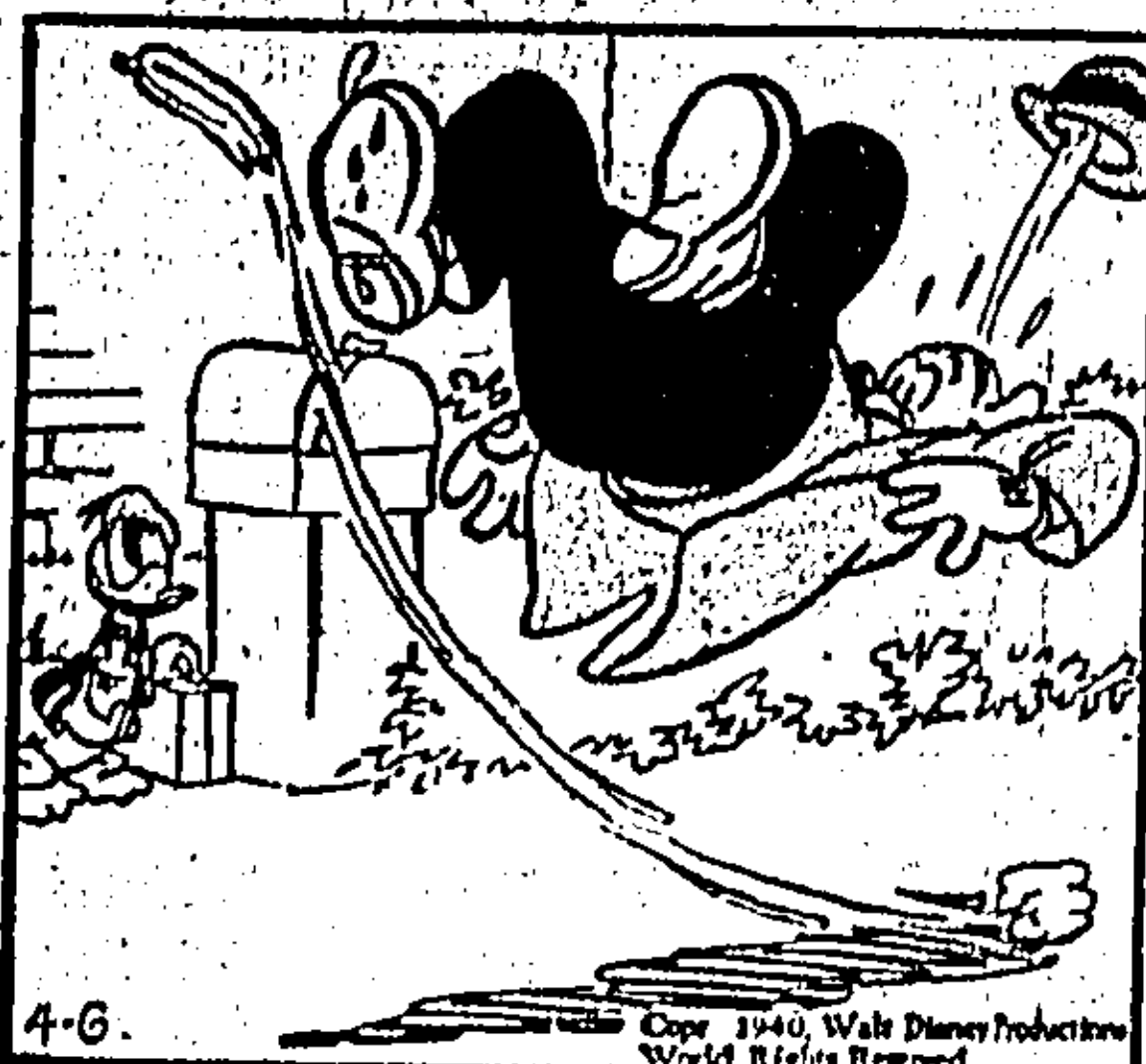
A seventeen-year-old Russian girl is in the Kowloon Hospital this morning, suffering from a bullet wound which was accidentally self-inflicted. The girl is Norma Knafman, of 11a Camarvon Road, Kowloon. According to a report of the Incident by Mr. J. E. Tocher, Miss Knafman was among a number of guests who were at a party at his residence at Fanling last night. At about 11 p.m., Miss Knafman entered a back room to comb her hair. While she was there she saw Mr. Tocher's 32 revolver on the dressing table and removed it from its holster in order to examine it. The revolver was loaded and went off as Miss Knafman was examining it. The bullet entered her left shoulder. She was immediately brought into Kowloon and at Hospital this morning her condition was described as satisfactory.

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1.30 Reuter and Rugby Press. Weather Forecast and Announcements.

1.45 Variety with The Western Brothers, Florence Desmond and Hale De Costa.

2.15 Close Down.

6.00 An Hour of Dance Music.

7.00 Closing Local Stock Quotations.

7.02 Selections from Light Opera.

7.30 London Relay—The News.

8.00 Local Time Signal, Weather Report and Announcements.

8.03 Studio—Recital by Angelika Neeser Steinschneider (Soprano) with Piano accompaniment by E. O'Neill Shaw.

1. (a) In the Churchyard (Brahms); (b) The Abandoned (Joseph Marx); 2. Three Russian Songs, (a) No. 4 of Four Japanese Melodies (Ippolitow-Ivanov, Op. 60); (b) Green (Serge Borkhewicz); (c) The Lonely Steppe (Gretchaninow).

8.25 Bocherini—Concerto in B Flat Major.

Fau Casals (Cello) and the London Symphony Orchestra cond. by Sir Landon Ronald.

8.43 Studio—Piano Recital by Nura Kahl.

Bach—Partita No. 1, (a) Prelude; (b) Courante; (c) Menuet; (d) Allemande; (e) Sarabande; (f) Minuet; (g) Gigue.

9.05 The Walter String Players. Gavotte in E (for Strings) (Bach); Minuet (Boccherini).

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The Transfer Books of the Company will be closed from the 23rd May to 13th June inclusive.

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General Managers,
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The Share Register and Transfer Books will be closed from the 8th May to the 22nd May, 1940, both days inclusive.

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General Agents,
Hongkong, 1st May, 1940.

9.15 London Relay—News Summary.

9.30 London Relay—"Cards on the Table."

9.45 Military Band Music.

10.00 A Variety Programme with Menuet, (a) Gigue, (b) Sarabande, (f) Minuet, (g) Gigue.

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Another Blow For
Fifth Columnists

LONDON, May 20 (Reuter).—The Home Secretary has issued an order prohibiting aliens possession firearms, ammunition and explosives without special Police permit.

The order applies to aliens of all nationalities throughout the United Kingdom.

RIGHTEOUS
WARDeclares Canadian
Political Leader

OTTAWA, May 20 (Reuter).—If over there was a just war in mankind's history, Canada is now in a righteous one, declared the Conservative Leader, Mr. Hanson, in a debate in Parliament to-day.

Mr. Hanson protested against the weakness of Canada's war preparation in the years past. He appreciated the friendly attitude of the United States, but uttered a warning against depending upon America for defence.

He added: "When we have to shelter ourselves under the Stars and Stripes, on that day the Union Jack will be hauled down, never to go up."

STOCK MARKET
REPORT

Hongkong Stock Exchange Official Summary issued yesterday says: The War news is putting a brake on operations, though H.K. Banks at \$1,350 and Unions at \$465 have proved attractive to a few buyers.

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LONDON, May 20 (Reuter).—

"Reuter" learns that Mr Winston Churchill does not intend to make a statement on the progress of the war to-morrow.

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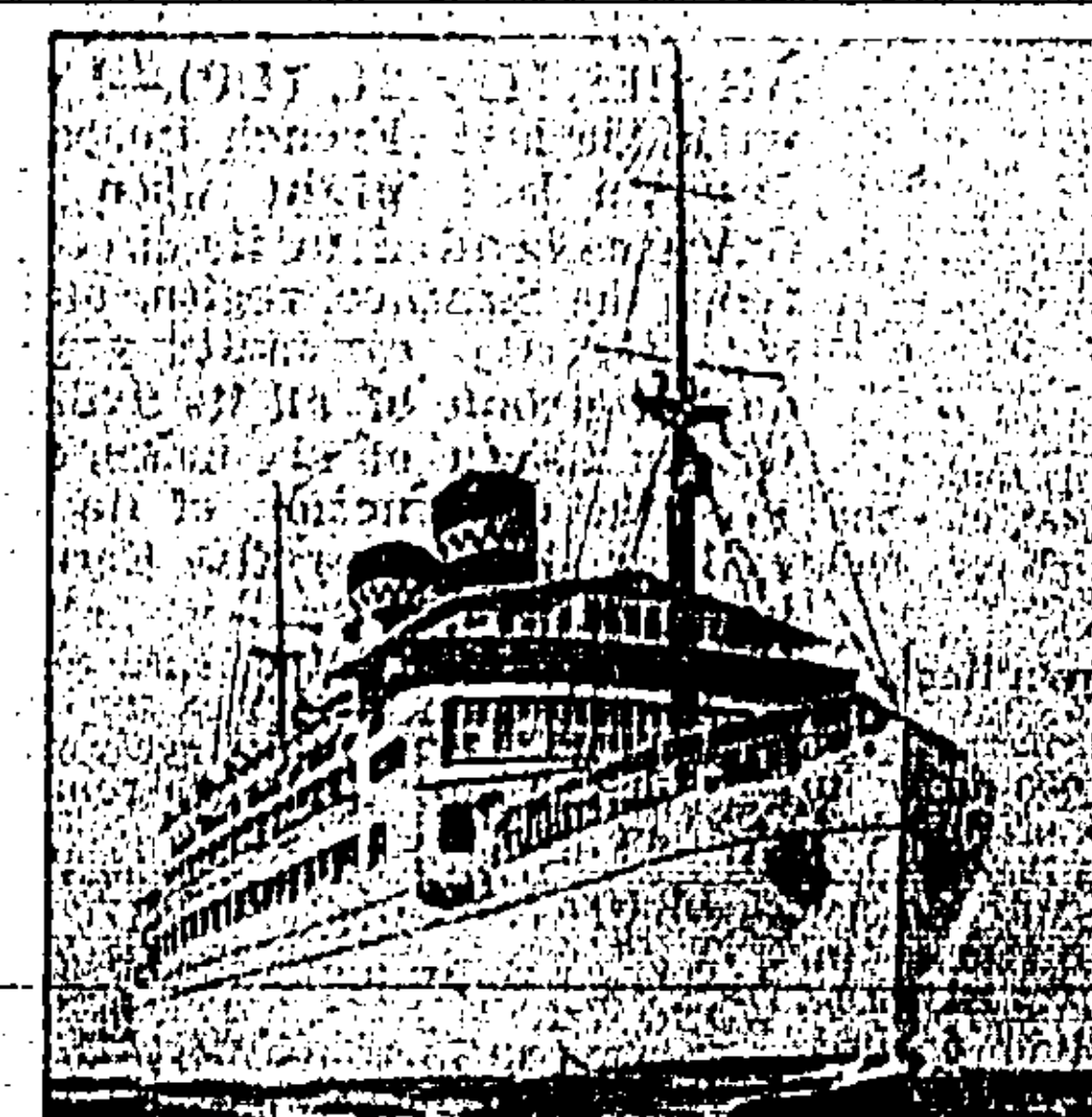
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We All Think SACRIFICE

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**OTHER
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PIGEON!**

—Says Jane Quest

"Most things are not obtained, simply because they are not attempted," says Gracian. How true that is.

We all want this or that, in a leisurely fashion, but we make very little effort to obtain what we want. It is easy to think about it.

WE should like to speak languages other than our own, but that means hard work and concentration. We yearn to have the gifts which can bring us, but we won't work to obtain them. We'd rather take a ticket in a lottery and hope for the best. We want to be loved, but we will not make ourselves lovable.

We'd like to travel, see the world, but not one cigarette would we sacrifice towards it. We want to be slim and svelte, but we like our good meals, and exercise bores us.

We resent growing old, but we don't cultivate our minds. We just let them go, like some old ploughed field that, neglected, grows only weeds and thistles.



EVERYTHING in this world, that is worth having must be worked for, even Peace.

We all like Peace, want Peace, think we ought to have Peace.

But some of us are content to let the Other Fellow get it for us. The Other Fellow is such a convenient sort of person. Let him fight our battles, carry our burdens, die for us if necessary.

We'd all of us like to help win the war, if we did not have to sacrifice too much. After all, that is the Other Fellow's pigeon . . . sacrifice.

The rest of us just sit around and wish for Peace.

"Most things are not obtained, simply because they are not attempted."

THE CAMERA

BABY PICTURES

GOOD baby pictures are easy to take indoors, with photo lights, provided you follow a few simple rules.

Probably the chief difficulty, in indoor shots, is that your subject likes to crawl about—and thus gets away from the spot illuminated by your photo lights. There are two simple solutions for this. Either give the baby a toy to amuse him and help him "stay put," or else place him where his movements are restricted. For example, in the crib or play pen.

Here is a simple routine which will help you get better baby pictures indoors. First, load the camera with high speed film. Pick a suitable spot for the pictures, and arrange your photo lights for a soft, diffused lighting, with no harsh shadows. A No. 1 and a No. 2 "flood" bulb in cardboard reflectors, four feet from the subject, are correct for box-camera snapshots on high speed film.

Turn on the lights before you place the baby. Put him in position—give him a bright-coloured toy or one that makes a noise—and start shooting. Wind the film immediately after each shot, so as to be ready for the next pose or change of expression. A whole series of good pictures can be taken in a few minutes, and the best expressions will usually come within that time. Five minutes is long enough for the average session of baby pictures.

A fast camera is an advantage in taking these pictures. Use a shutter speed of 1/50 second, with 1/8 lens opening, or 1/100 second at 1/63—and you are more sure of a sharp picture, even if the baby moves slightly at the moment of exposure. With a fast lens, you can also take indoor pictures by daylight or sunlight coming through a window. The baby picture above was taken in that manner. A 1/63-sec. 1/4.5 lens is fast enough, if you use high speed film and a 1/25 second shutter speed. In the picture above, the bedspread acts as a reflector, throwing light into the shadows. This is desirable, as there should be no harsh, black shadows in a baby picture.

GRIN AND BEAR IT By Lichty



"You must be extra attentive and tender to Rufus, dear, now that he's an expectant father!"

BEDSIDE BOOK

ALL last week I was in bed with the popular catarrh. It was a very evil week, for I have not spent a day in bed for five years, and was not accustomed to the ignominy of it.

So I read, and I read History. There's nothing like History for dumps. History properly related reduces you to your proper stature. You dare not complain of catarrh as the misadventure of Saint Bartholomew, or the agonised death of Robespierre.

I did not, however, in these days cuddle myself in horrors. I read that most noble work, John Morley's *Archiepiscopal Laud*, by H. R. Trevor Roper. This costs a guinea, but ask for it at your library.

John Morley is grand. Is he forgotten now? I don't know. In any case, his prose is superb. It is deep and solid and wise. It is also surprisingly rhythmic and human. This I had not expected.

HOW history should be written was to me also exemplified by a delightful and exciting new book, *"Archbishop Laud"*, by H. R. Trevor Roper. This costs a guinea, but ask for it at your library.

Can a book about Laud be interesting? you ask yourself—Laud, that little intriguing, narrow, state-serving sycophant?

It can indeed. For one thing, Laud lived in one of the most exciting periods of English history. The duel between Charles I and Cromwell, between despotism and democracy, is being fought again in our own day.

This book is therefore extraordinarily apropos. Its style is good and sound, its argument exciting. You will begin it lazily and finish it excitedly.

I FOUND a little book of infinite charm: *The Swan of Udd*, of Helen Ashton. It may be remembered that Helen Ashton gave, a year or two ago, a delightful rendering of the lives of William and Dorothy Wordsworth. Now she has done in the same manner a life of Henry Vaughan, the doctor and poet of the Civil War and after.

BRITISH REGIMENTS

The BLACK Watch Coldstream Guards

OF the many Scottish regiments which have served with the highest distinction in the British Army, none can boast of a prouder record than that held by the famous Black Watch, the senior of all the Highland Regiments.

Its official existence dates from 1740, the year in which it was brought on to the British establishment, but it was actually formed in 1627.

In that year, the British Government of the day decided to establish a unit of loyal Highlanders who would maintain order in the north of Britain, and six separate companies were formed. The men in these companies were the flower of many noble Scottish families.

Ten years later, four new companies were raised and amalgamated with the existing six, the whole force being given the name of the 42nd Foot. Later, the regiment adopted a dark tartan for its uniform and so became known as the Black Watch after the sombre colour of the tartan.

The courage of the Black Watch is proverbial. From its earliest days it attracted men of amazing daring, and the regiment's long record is full of deeds of valour. At the battle of Fontenoy, for example, when the French defeated an allied force of British, Austrian and Dutch troops, the Chaplain of the Black Watch charged with drawn sword, at the head of the regiment.

The Colonel at once intervened, and ordered the Chaplain to the rear. "Damn my commission," the Chaplain replied, and raising his sword once more dashed into the thick of the fight.

AFTER the formation of the 1st battalion, a second was raised in 1780, becoming the 73rd Regiment in 1786. This regiment discarded the kilt in 1809, but that uniform was restored when the 73rd was amalgamated with the 42nd Foot in 1861.

The red vulture plume which the regiment wears was won at Gederupen, in 1755, when the Black Watch charged and routed French cavalry in order to rescue two guns that had been lost. It has been said that the red plume originated from the fact that men of the Black Watch had dipped the white feathers they wore in the blood of the enemy.

Another famous battle with which the regiment will always be associated was that of Corunna. During the height of the struggle, that great General, Sir John Moore, called out to the men of the Black Watch, "Remember Egypt, Highlanders." The devoted Scots, however, were reported to have seen "the shadow of death" hovering over their leader, and soon after it fell to men of the regiment to carry him back to the rear a dying man.

In the historic siege of Mangalore, 200 men of the Black Watch, assisted by 1,500 sepoys, held out against huge odds for nine months while at the battle of Magersfontein General Wauchope fell leading them into action.

During the Great War of 1914-1918, the Black Watch suffered a tremendously high percentage of casualties. They raised 23 new battalions, and out of a total of 53,000 men there were 34,000 casualties.

THEIR battle honours include Gundaup, 1755, Martinique, 1762, N. America, 1763-4, Mysore, Corunna, Toulouse, Waterloo, S. Africa, 1846-7, and 1851, 2, 3, Alma, Lucknow, Tel-el Kebir, Egypt, 1882-84, Nile, 1884-5, and S. Africa, 1899-1902.

In the Great War they fought at the Marne, 1914 and '16, Ypres, 1914, '17 and '18, Loos, the Somme, 1916 and '18, Arras, 1917 and '18, the Hindenburg Line, and Kut el Amara, 1917.

The regiment is known throughout the British Army as the "Forty Twos"—the Scottish equivalent of the "Forty Twos." The regimental marches are "Highland Laddie" and "Blue Bonnets Over the Border," stirring tunes when played by the bagpipers.

With his bagpipes tucked under his arm, he marched up and down the No Man's Land of Loos—under a hail of fire—playing "Blue Bonnets Over the Border" while his regiment, the King's Own Scottish Borderers, charged the enemy with fixed bayonets.

REFUSAL to obey a King's command is not usually a deed to be remembered with pride, but such an episode is cherished with pride in the annals of the Coldstream Guards, one of the most famous of all the regiments in the British Army.

This regiment descends from a force raised by Cromwell in 1650, the companies comprising it being then stationed at Newcastle. The command being given to Colonel Monck, the regiment was first known as Colonel Monck's Regiment, and later as the Lord General's Regiment of Guards.

On January 1, 1680, the regiment marched with Monck out of Coldstream, a village in Scotland from which it derives its name, on its way to London. It was to play its part in the Restoration to the English Throne of Charles II, and it was the only Puritan foot regiment to be kept for service in the Royal Army.

When the regiment was eventually reviewed by Charles II, history has it that he commanded them to lay down their arms as a sign that they renounced the Commonwealth, and he then ordered them to pick up their arms once more as his "Second Foot Guards."

To a man, the regiment refused to move. They stood solidly with their arms laid on the ground before them, and the King was visibly disturbed. Colonel Monck then said to him, "Sire, this regiment refuses to be known as second to any in the British Army."

The King immediately altered his command.

"Coldstream Guards," he declared "take up your arms."

Thus the original name came into existence, and with it the proud regimental motto "Nulli Secundus" ("Second to None").

AFTER Monck's death, however, the regiment came to be known as the "Queen's Regiment," and it was not until 1873 that the title of "2nd Foot or Coldstream Guards" was resumed. In 1817 the first part of the title was allowed to lapse, and the regiment has been known by its present name ever since. The right to wear the bear-skin cap followed in 1830.

The regiment is now made up of three Battalions, each Battalion having its separate badge. That of the 1st Battalion shows the Star of the Garter ensigned with the Imperial Crown, and at the base the Sphinx, superscribed "Egypt." With a slight addition, the same badge is used for the 3rd Battalion. The badge of the 2nd Battalion is an eight-pointed star in silver within the Garter and ensigned with an Imperial Crown. At the base is the Sphinx, superscribed "Egypt."

The exploits of the Coldstream Guards are fully in keeping with their historic traditions. Among the regiment's battle honours are Tanguer, 1690, Namur, 1693, Gibraltar, 1704-5, Oudenarde, Dettingen, Waterloo, Alma, Inkerman, Sevastopol, Tel-el-Kebir, Egypt, 1882, Modder River, and other famous engagements.

In the Great War, all the traditions were fully maintained in the historic Retreat from Mons, at the Marne in 1914, the Alps, 1914, Ypres, 1914, and '17, Loos, the Somme, 1916 and '18, Arras, 1918, Hazebrouck, and in the battles on the Hindenburg Line.

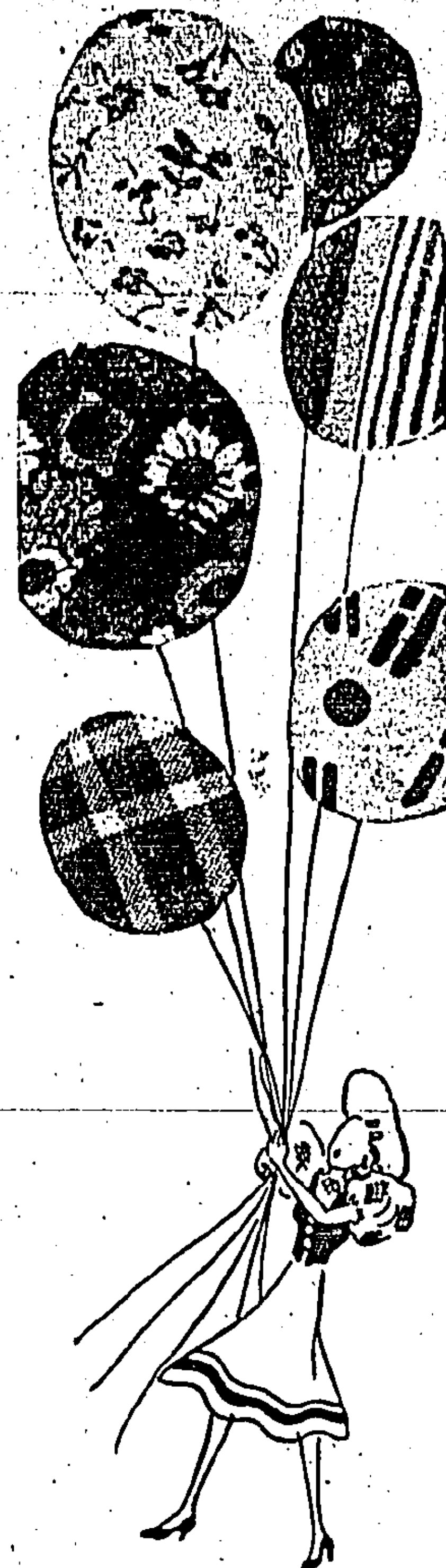
AT the end of 1914, outside Ypres, the Coldstream Guards won imperishable fame by holding a position, unrelieved, for three weeks, despite the tremendous force of enemy attacks.

His Majesty King George Vith is Colonel-in-Chief of the regiment, and like the other regiments in the Brigade of Guards the Coldstream Guards have a particularly close association with Royalty.

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Germany's counter-blockade has been directed mainly at the merchant shipping of Britain, France, Norway, Sweden, Denmark and Holland. Greece is the only other country which has had losses on the same scale. Out of a total of 1,248,000 tons sunk, 1,132,000 belonged to these seven countries. The total shipping owned by them at the outbreak of the war and the proportion of loss (represented approximately by the part in black at the end of each section) are shown in this diagram. Following the invasion of Norway and Denmark, Germany is attempting to seize as much shipping as possible belonging to these countries.

Continuing the remarkable BANSE Revelations

BELOW is a further chapter from the German military text-book by Professor Ewald Banse, who changed Germany's famous Schlieffen plan to meet modern conditions.

Events in France, and Belgium this week were planned in accordance with the Banse formula, and previous chapters in this absorbing series have already told why Holland and Belgium have been invaded and how the Nazis intend to drive through France.

In the chapter below, Professor Banse tells Germany what pitfalls she must avoid if she is not to meet with disaster in the war.

WHEN one examines the German plan, of campaign in the last war from the point of view of military geography—it was all settled as early as 1898 and not altered in the manner here to be indicated—one feels that it took no, or too little, account of England.

It reckoned with the French army and even with England's little expeditionary force, but not with England as the mainstay of a protracted war, the organiser of the blockade, which starved us out, the fountain head of supplies.

This was hardly to be expected of Schlieffen himself considering the situation in his time, but his successor ought to have been awake to these things.

Our right flank ought not only to have been secured. Antwerp—we had plenty of men in Alsace Lorraine, where they were falling over each other, in fact—but should have made straight for the coast and occupied the Belgian and still more the Channel ports, the bases of the British expeditionary force, as far as Boulogne or better still Abbeville which would have been quite easy to do.

Nobody thought of this, because the purely land minded Germans took no account of the sea and sea power. Indeed, it is a question whether it was a serious mistake in military geography to content ourselves with marching through Belgium instead of occupying Holland, also, equally a neutral and our kinsman to boot.

The disadvantage of this proceeding, namely, the fact that it involved a serious violation of neutrality was as nothing compared with the first violation; but the advantage was incalculable, for it would have put the whole opposite coast of England within our range; given our fleet a much longer and stronger base, which would certainly have preserved it from inactivity.

Finally, it would have made the possibility of an invasion of England so immediate that the English, with practically no army, would probably have concluded a reasonable peace with all speed rather than have their country overrun by German soldiers.

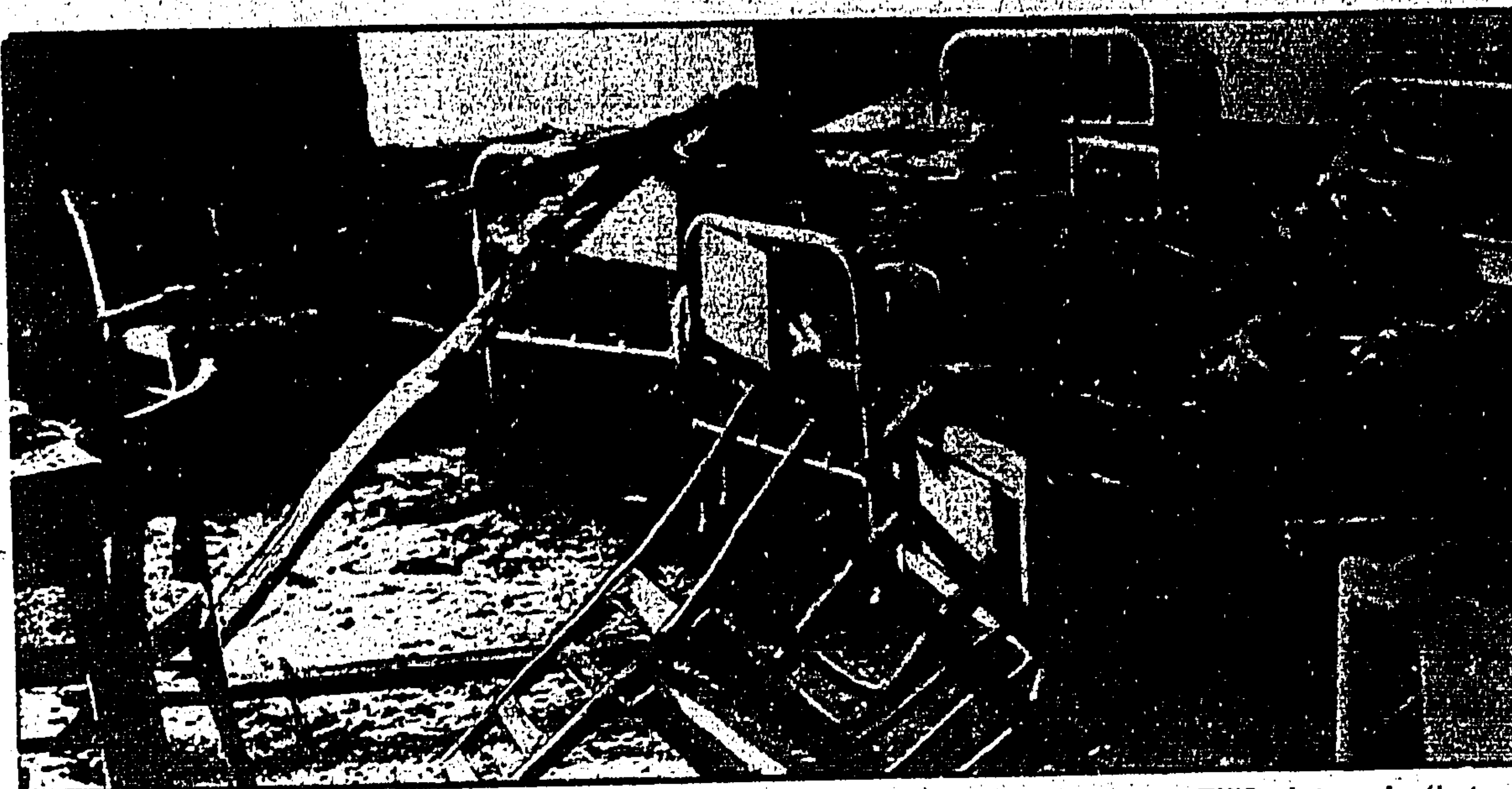
Made Mess Of Pre-War Plan

It is not too much to say that the world war became an economic war, a war of starvation, and lost the heroic character of earlier wars, because the Germans failed to grasp the strategic significance of the coast of Holland, Belgium and northern France, and made a mess of the Schlieffen plan. We can only hope that more comprehensive thinking will some day lead to wiser decisions.

With Hindenburg and Ludendorff at the head of affairs, positional warfare would never have started. The establishment of the western front meant the probability of a slow and lingering defeat for us, while the Germans failed of a gradually approaching victory before the eyes of the enemy.

Trench warfare meant the abandonment of resumption of the war of motion, and the growth of the hope of a rapid fighting battle; and the decision became a matter of gradual attrition.

Trench warfare has a very different effect from open warfare on the mind of the soldier; it gives him time to collect his thoughts and reflect, make him wonder about all sorts of things and raises doubts in his mind which would never have time to grow up in open warfare with its constant rush of new events.



In this chapter Professor Banse frankly admits Germany will lose if Blitzkrieg fails

NAZI CHOICE: TOTAL WAR OR DEFEAT.

In addition to that, it destroys an army's mobility. It turns the soldier into a householder, who ends by being unwilling to leave a neighbourhood to which he has grown accustomed, and even developed a certain attachment, for fear of exchanging it for a worse.

The warrior becomes bourgeois, the active spirit becomes passive, the conqueror turns property owner. An immobilised army is forced into lines of thought which have no connection with its real function; it begins to think of peace rather than war, and finally of insubordination, rather than obedience, or it feels the incompetence of its commanders from the fact that operations have come to a standstill.

For us the worst thing about the entrenched war was that a well-fortified and well-defended front like the French and the English was practically impregnable with the offensive weapons then available.

From this point of view it made no difference whether it consisted of strong trenches hastily constructed for each occasion or, as we discovered to our great surprise at Arras, merely a deep network of craters and machine-gun posts.

Massed Tanks Best Weapon

A small number of highly trained, resolute and strong nerved men, machine guns and gun emplacements, well hidden from the observation of balloons and aeroplanes, could hold up whole armies.

Massed tanks were the only things for which this form of defence, was, apparently, inadequate, as the English break through near Cambrai in November 1917 showed.

The oldest and most elementary procedure for dislodging the enemy was prolonged artillery bombardment; this did destroy the enemy's position, but it gave him warning and enabled him to bring up sufficient reserve with which to meet the onslaught and counter attack himself; the most obvious examples are the Somme in 1916 and Flin-ders in 1917.

Mistakes In Sea Warfare

It was a grave mistake that we ourselves immediately

ruined a safe position in the Kattegat, from which we could have threatened the left flank of the English battle fleet, by strewing mines all over the Belts.

The advantage of the English coast extends to the smallest details: thus its straightness makes it much easier to determine the whereabouts of a wireless German ship by listening in from several points on it than it is to listen in to English ships from the re-entrant German coast.

The English Admiralty was thus always excellently informed regarding the position and directions of our warships, quite apart from the fact that the great god Chance, in the case of a dead signalman from the sunk Magdeburg washed up on the Baltic coast of Russia in September 1914, put the secret code and signalling manuals of the German navy in the way of the English, who henceforth deciphered every wireless message from German naval headquarters and were able to take steps accordingly—a terrible blow which showed that fate was definitely against us; wherever the German fleet showed itself it was immediately confronted with superior British forces.

Unfortunately Germany took the same sort of line on sea as on land, or even a worse one.

The reasons were: (1) the desire of the Chancellor not to annoy England, which showed his ignorance of national psychology; for nothing makes any impression on the English except the mailed fist; (2) lack of confidence in our navy in certain responsible naval circles, where it was considered no match for the British; it was the battle of Jutland on May 31, 1916, which first showed that Tirpitz and his supporters who considered it at least equal to the British, were right; (3) the intrigues which led to the cold shouldering of the creator and only proper commander of the fleet, High Admiral von Tirpitz; (4) the idea of emerging from the war with the fleet intact.

In consequence of these things the high seas fleet was kept in its harbours and every avenue of approach to us from the North Sea was closed by mines.

But mine warfare on the sea means exactly the same as trench warfare on land, namely, the bankruptcy of all strategy and the end of all mobility.

The fact that U-boats from the beginning showed good results in certain cases does not come into the account; it was an unexpected, scarcely extra, and even so, its vast possibilities were not understood, or at any rate not exploited.

Germany Played England's Game

In judging these appalling mistakes it is not permissible

to point to the similar behaviour of the English naval authorities as an excuse.

England also kept her high seas fleet back; but in the first place, as her entire political and economic existence depended on her navy, there was no point in her risking it on the always doubtful issue of a big naval battle; and secondly, the security of her trade did not depend on that she should use her fleet merely that the German fleet should be shut up.

Our backwardness thus suited England's book and was really playing her game. The English principle of the "fleet in being" was as completely sound for England as it was wrong for us.

Our Admiralty failed to realise this till at least the spring of 1916 and thus deprived us of the service of one of our most effective arms. When it was finally engaged up, it was too late to try to beat the British navy, for by then the English had strewn the whole North Sea with mines, increased and improved their fleet and, in short, overhauled their whole naval defences.

The crippling of the German fleet was responsible for: (1) the British blockade, which cut off our supplies of food and raw materials that we were unable to meet the increased demands of the war; (2) in contrast to that, the undisturbed continuation of British trade, which supplied their needs; (3) England's undisturbed communications with her army in France; (4) the almost complete submission of the neutrals to English dictation; (5) America's increasing open support of the Allies, first by economic then by diplomatic and finally by military support; and (6) the infection of the personnel of our navy with the Red bacillus as a result of their enforced inactivity.

The great god Chance gave us one more opportunity in the U-boats which had proved their usefulness to the very beginning of the war. But even of this opportunity full advantage was not taken by our Admiralty. We ought at once to have built U-boats after U-boats, not battleships.

Then, too the Admiralty's forecast for the unrestricted submarine warfare which was finally resolved upon in February 1917, under pressure from Hindenburg and Ludendorff at G.H.Q., was farcical. This forecast, drawn up on December 22, 1916, reckoned that England would give in after a mere five months of unrestricted U-boat warfare, sinking 600,000 tons per month, directed against her merchant shipping, and that two-thirds of neutral shipping would be frightened off coming to England.

Considered from the point of view of military strategy it was a war of misadventure (in spite of the fact that the sinking greatly

THIS photograph (just received by air mail from London) of a hospital in Elverum, Norway, shows what total warfare, expounded by Professor Banse as Germany's only hope of victory, really means.

exceeded the estimate), for it completely overlooked national psychology.

England saw that she was on the brink of the abyss and at once acted in the most energetic manner; she ruthlessly requisitioned neutral shipping, and even German shipping in neutral harbours, developed an increasingly effective system of defence against the U-boats and had the unique pleasure, which was at the same time a long deferred victory for her diplomacy, of seeing America abandon her reserve and declare war on the German Empire, which at once put many tons of German shipping at the disposal of the Allies.

Even though U-boat warfare considered in itself was in no sense a failure, the building of new tonnage, together with the requisitioned neutral and German ships, kept pace with the losses, which in 1917 amounted to 9,000,000 tons by mines and submarines.

Our whole conduct of the war on sea once more, alas, proves the truth of Tirpitz's old contention that the German people had not understood the sea—if it is really permissible to attribute the defects of a small minority in power to the whole nation.

A more resolute and better considered use of the fleet against the British—if possible, hand in hand with the occupation of Holland and the landing of troops in the south east of England—before they had learnt the lessons of the war and overhauled their naval policy, was calculated, if not to bring England to her knees, at any rate to make the question of supplies an acute blockade impossible.

In those circumstances the whole war would have taken a different turn in which heroism would have counted for more than economics.

Germany's Chief Military Mistakes

Our chief military mistakes were:

1.—Failure to develop our potentialities fully before the war, and even during it, with the result that we could not make good our heavy initial losses quickly enough, and were from the beginning unequal to the enormous demands of a war on two fronts.

2.—The baneful influence of the Cabinet on the choice of the commander-in-chief of the army and of the navy, resulting in the loss of the battle of the Marne (von Moltke) and subsequently in the scheme, fatal to us in its isolation, of a slow war of attrition which culminated in the bloodbath of Verdun, was persisted in for two years (von Falkenhayn) and finally paralysed the fleet (von Muller).

3.—In consequence of Falkenhayn's ideas the year 1915 especially was very largely wasted; having lost the initiative in the west, we ought at least to have undertaken a big offensive in the east which would crush Russia's war spirit, so that we might have both hands free in 1916 for the struggle with England and France.

4.—Our failure to occupy Holland and invade the south-east coast of England, at the same time making an aggressive use of the high seas fleet and building up our U-boat fleet.

5.—The fact that no attempt was made to raise the English blockade and so shorten the war.

6.—Allowing Allied troops to remain at Salonika, when they ought to have been driven off the Balkans in 1915-16; they were responsible for the defection of Bulgaria in Autumn 1918 and, to some extent, of Austria-Hungary, which left Germany's rear uncovered.

7.—Starting unrestricted U-boat warfare too late and on a basis of totally inadequate estimates.

8.—Leaving too many German troops (a million) in Russia during the 1918 offensive in France.

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1-Gridiron
2-Extinct pigeon
3-Billed shrike
4-Prolonged silence
5-Any dagger
6-Go in
7-Station to Argentina
8-Repair
9-Star (Prov. Dist.)
10-Grass
11-Medias between
12-Atlantic volcano
13-Two-dimensional
14-Containing slatings
15-As woods
16-Crowns
17-Fire's name
18-Part of pedestal
19-Mount paid beforehand
20-Exercise situation
21-Interact
22-Levantine blue cloth
23-Videowave
24-Immediate ancestor
25-Small scale change
26-Combining form: air
27-Walk on
28-Symbol used to denote possessive
29-Ecclesiastical court
30-Island
31-Remains of towers
32-Chief constituent of fatty oils

DOWN

1-Full common in Asia
2-One who demolishes
3-Islands
4-Data control
5-Death, as of sovereign
6-Living chamber
7-Poised
8-Issue command for
9-Minutes cadet
10-Opening wager in
11-Turn (Bo. African)
12-Series of changes
13-Plant growth
14-Miles of 1977
15-Plat growth
16-Combining form: uranium
17-Two ball
18-Made impure
19-Turkey food
20-Crunch of wild
21-Island
22-Cross (rectile)
23-Team down, as ballet
24-Working in water
25-Change direction
26-Heat excessively
27-Island
28-Human highways
29-Minor prophet
30-Troop
31-Status of the olive
32-Isle
33-Islands protest to Channel 24

and not using them, and Austro-Hungarians one too, on the western front (the latter it is possible only as labour battalions).

9.—Under estimation of tanks, although they have proved their value at Cambrai in 1917.

10.—In the latter part of the war, let us admit this frankly—the fear in the minds of many of our soldiers that they would be killed at the last moment and not live to see the longed-for dawn of peace; this, however, meant the beginning of the break up of the army, which was completed by the poison of Marxism.

11.—The absence of a single supreme command, vested in German G.H.Q., over the German, Austro-Hungarian, Turkish and Bulgarian armies, which made it impossible to bring the whole forces of the Central Powers into simultaneous action, thus reducing their striking power.

12.—The obstacle here was the Austrian commander-in-chief, Conrad, and Austro-Hungarian jealousy generally. (The Allies finally achieved the ideal of a united command over all operations against Germany on April 3, 1918; this, by materially increasing the enemy's striking power, was a turning point in the war).

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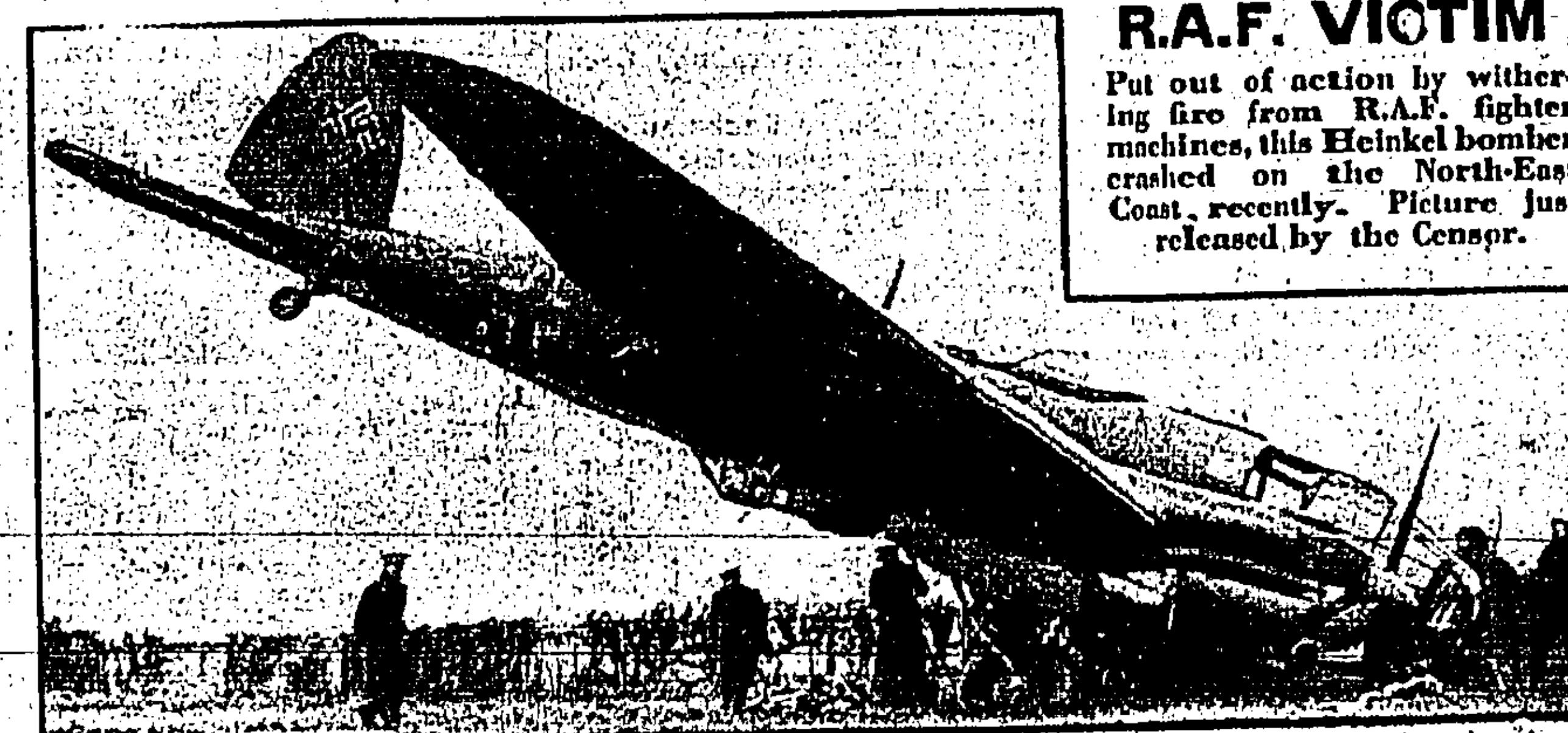
Pictures were taken at the school yesterday, when it was visited by Lieut-General Sir B. N. Sergison-Brooke, G.O.C., London Area. Above and right are two methods of teaching facts about the human body. Below is a new game, Arch and Ball, which combines recreational with physical training.

ARMY LEARNS "PHYSICAL JERKS"—NEW STYLE



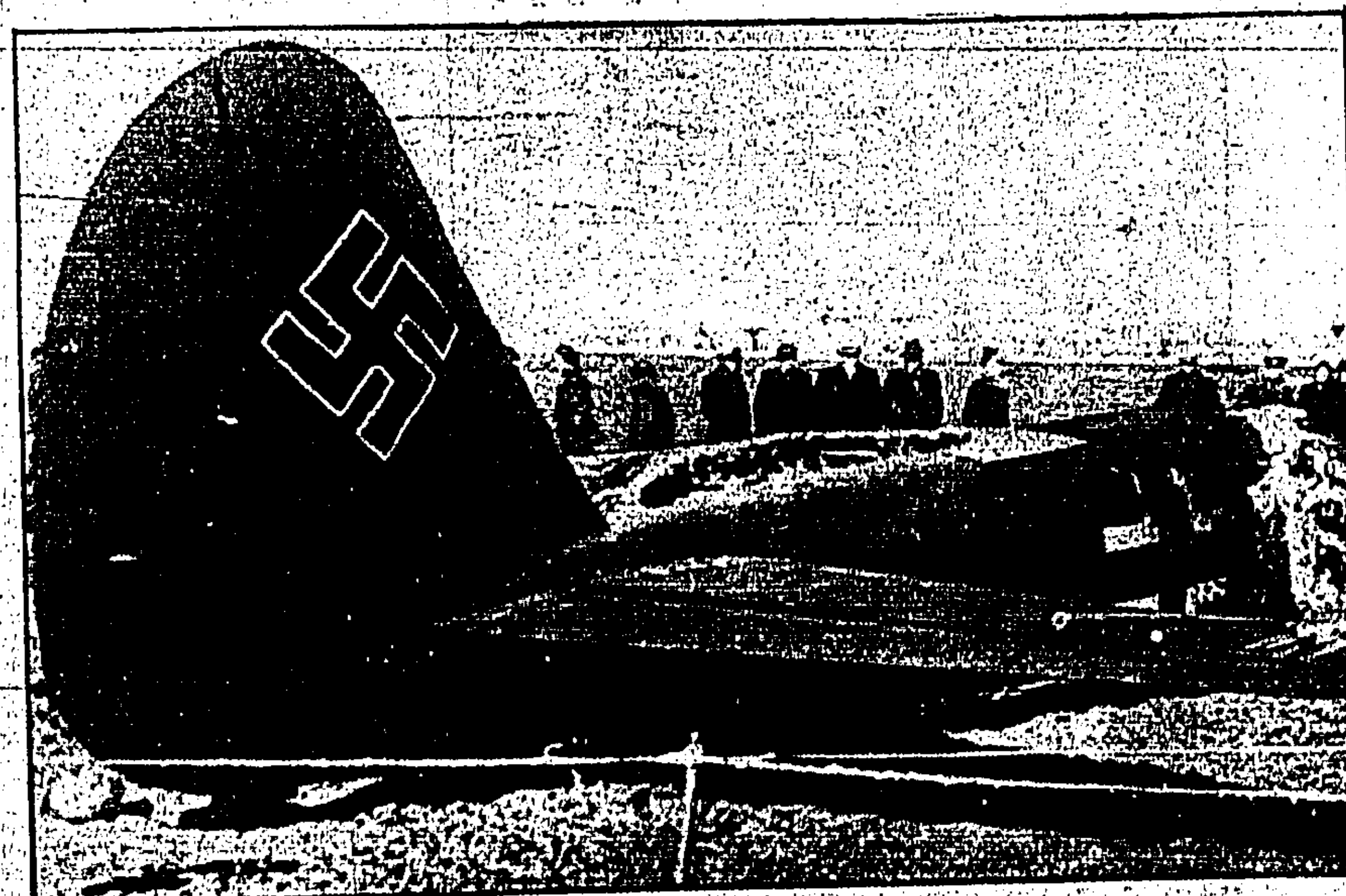
BOMBING OF SCAPA FLOW

WRECKAGE of the cottage near which the first victim, James Isbister, was killed during the Nazi air raid at Scapa. The lower picture shows the remains of the cottage from which Mrs. H. Macleod crawled after the bombers had passed.



R.A.F. VICTIM

Put out of action by withering fire from R.A.F. fighter machines, this Heinkel bomber crashed on the North-East Coast, recently. Picture just released by the Censor.

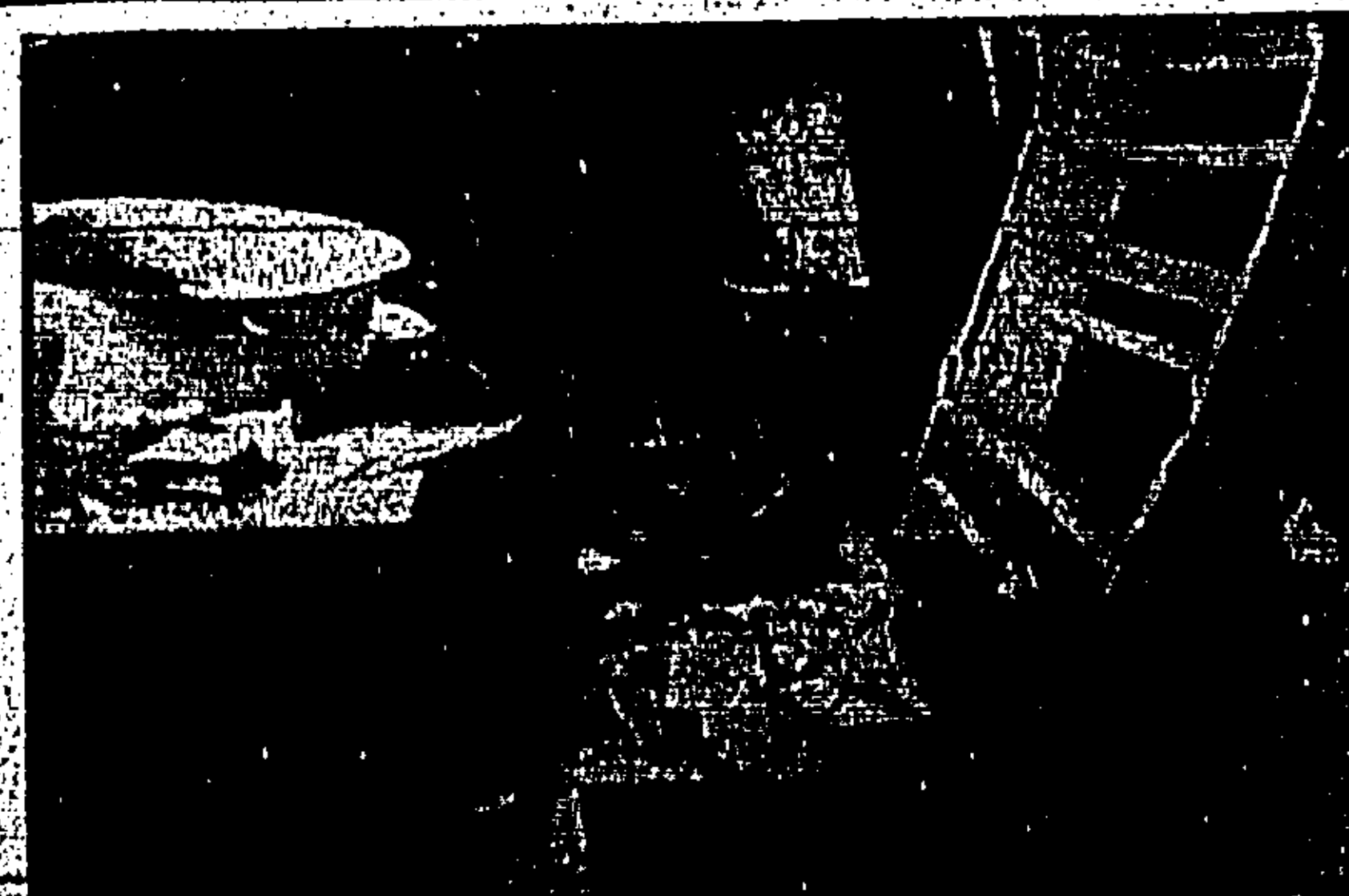


A Nazi Junkers 88 which crashed on the island of Læsland in Denmark. Bullet holes found in the Junkers proved that it had been in action and must have been on its return from Scapa.



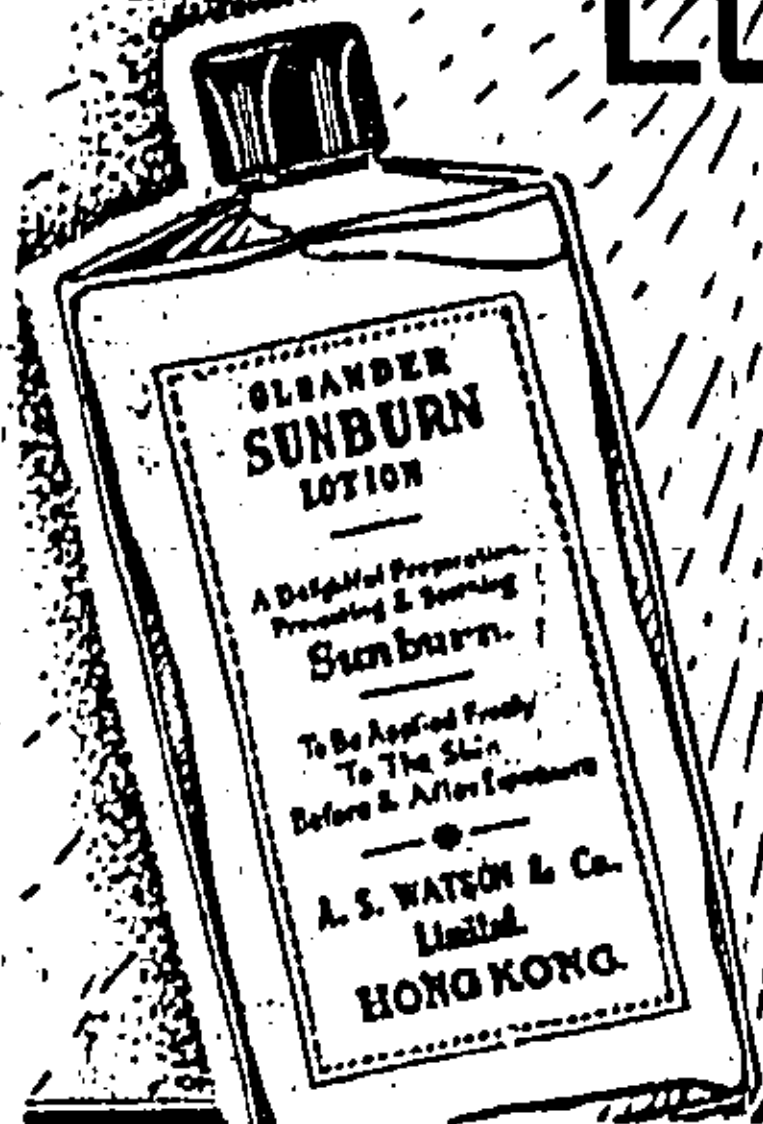
CHAMPAGNE FOR LUCK

London A.F.S. volunteers for six months fire-fighting service in Finland had their fire engine christened by Miss de Gribenberg, wife of the Finnish Minister to London. She is seen with the car of Chief Officer D. Smith with champagne—a Finnish good luck custom.



Herr von Ribbentrop (second on left) with members of his suite at his residence when he had more than an hour's conversation with the Pope. He did not wear his swastika armband.

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U.S. And The Lowlands

GERMANY'S invasion of Holland and Belgium has brought the war home to America more surely than any other military development in Europe.

The reason is not that Holland has both West and East Indian possessions, although that fact would cause defence chiefs in Washington to put their heads together.

What touches the heart of the ordinary citizen is the constant reminder of Holland's contribution to the settlement and civilisation of the U.S.A.

The President bears a Dutch name. He is a descendant of Claes Martenson, who settled in America in 1650, and took the name Van Roosevelt after his native Dutch village.

One of the leading Republican aspirants for Roosevelt's place in the White House is Senator Vandenberg, of Michigan, who is also of Dutch descent.

Many of America's leading families bear Dutch names—the Vanderbilts, for example—and the society columns of the newspapers are peppered with such names as Suyvesant, Van Wyck, Suydam, Voorhees, Schuyler, Hoyt and De Witt.

New York City was once a Dutch settlement. Its name was New Amsterdam. Every American school-child is taught how Henry Hudson, the English navigator, while employed by the Dutch East India Company, sailed into New York Harbour in the Half Moon in 1609 and explored the river that is named after him.

Peter Minuit, first director-general of the new province, bought the island of Manhattan from the Indians with cloth, beads and trinkets worth less than £5.

The figure of a later Governor of New Amsterdam, Peter Stuyvesant, who stumped about on a wooden leg—is as familiar to Americans as Dick Whittington is to Englishmen.

At the entrance to New York harbour is the island named Staten, separated from the New Jersey shore by a channel called the Kill van Kull.

Cornelius Vanderbilt, founder of the Vanderbilt fortune, was born on Staten Island and began his successful career by running a ferryboat service between the island and Manhattan.

The mythical "patron saint" of New York is a benevolent old gentleman named Father Knickerbocker. The Knickerbocker Club was founded in 1821 for the benefit of descendants of the old Dutch settlers.

The first church established in New York was the Dutch Reformed Church (1628), which is now called the Collegiate Church.

The Bowery, the famous street on the lower East Side of Manhattan, derives its name from a Dutch word, meaning "farm." Near this equidistant thoroughfare is a church called St. Mark's-in-the-Bowery, which preserves the older spelling of the word.

There is a Holland Tunnel connecting Manhattan and New Jersey. Harlem, which was a fashionable residential district before the Negroes adopted it, is a contraction of Haarlem. The Harlem River is the northern boundary of Manhattan.

There is a small section of the city called Spuyten Duyvil. The Hamptons Heath of New York is Van Cortlandt Park.

In New York State, New Jersey and Pennsylvania there are towns, counties, rivers and mountains with Dutch names: Catskill, Peekskill, Schuylers, Krum Elbow, Rensselaer, Watervliet and Schuylkill.

This Dutch influence is confined mainly to the New York area, but New York City is the nerve centre of the U.S.A.

I LUNCHEDED WITH GOERING

KARIN HALL, Field-Marshal Hermann Goering's famous hunting lodge in the Schofheide Forest some thirty miles from Berlin, was one of the spots visited by Mr. Sumner Welles in his recent fact-finding expedition to Germany.

In it, Goering has revived the feudal age, thrown in the baroque period, and topped off the whole with a dash of Renaissance—not the culture of those times, mind you, but Renaissance splendour, baroque gaudiness and feudal high living, in the midst of which the lord and master gorges himself, topos, and roars at innumerable lackeys, who rush to serve him. Goering is Falstaff the Second at Karin Hall, where the smallest beer mug holds slightly over a quart.

The ordinary ones hold a gallon or more, and a common means of proving manly strength among Goering's friends is to pick up a heavy stone mug filled with Pilsner, lift it to the lips with one hand, and take a mighty swig without spilling any. Goering, who has the strength of a bear, can do it easily, and he shouts derisively when his less virile Nazi friends fail to perform the feat.

Bernard Lansing, American journalist in war-time Germany, has been to Karin Hall, Goering's country mansion. Here is his first-hand description of a remarkable lunch party in Germany's most luxurious and eccentric household.

IHAD heard tales of life at Karin Hall, a beautifully situated retreat right in the midst of Germany's largest wild-life preserve and given to Goering by the State of Prussia, but as an American journalist no better than tolerated in Germany I was surprised to receive an invitation to lunch there not long ago.

It came in a large vellum envelope which was delivered by messenger to my flat in war-scarred, gloomy Berlin. The message was inscribed in German on a six-by-nine-inch white card, with a gilt eagle perched upon a laurel wreath surrounding a swastika as a crest.

That Goering regarded it as a command which could not be refused became evident two days later when, although I had not got around to replying, a second envelope arrived, also delivered by messenger. It contained an identification card and information to the effect that a car would call for me on the morning of the appointed day to take me to Karin Hall.

The car, one of the large, black open Mercedes favoured by Nazi officials, arrived on schedule. Two guards in black uniforms, one of whom doubled as chauffeur, sat in front.

I was bundled, with numerous lap robes, into the rear seat beside a Norwegian newspaperman who was being similarly honoured. He told me what I had already suspected—that this was to be a party for a number of diplomats and foreign correspondents.

The reason for the identification card became apparent when after about twenty minutes, we turned off the highway on to a side road and were immediately

stopped by two S.S. guards in black uniforms.

Some might think that riding in an official car escorted by two members of the Field-Marshal's own body-guard would be sufficient identification, but not the Germans.

After saluting, one of the S.S. boys asked for our cards, which were taken to a small hut at the side of the road, where, through the open door, we could see both guards with their heads together studying our credentials and checking them against a typewritten list.

Then one of the guards returned and asked in English, "Have you a means of proving that you are the persons mentioned here?"

My companion and I gave him our passports and Press cards, and these were also taken to the hut, where the guards made notations from the passports. "We must be about there," I said to the chauffeur while we waited. "Oh, no," he replied. "We still have half an hour to go. We shall make two more stops."

"Goering doesn't seem to trust his guests," remarked my companion as we produced our credentials for the third time and waited while one of the guards telephoned back to one of the other stations and even to Berlin. "It's not Goering," our chauffeur said unexpectedly and with contempt. "He wouldn't care who came, but those others like to do it."

By "those others" he knew he meant Heinrich Himmler and his Gestapo. "The tone of the chauffeur's voice made us curious, and we tried to get him to tell us what he meant, but he shrugged his shoulders and became silent at every reference to the "others."

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"How do you like Goering?" I asked.

"Oh, he's a Mordkerl [a regular fellow]," the man replied, his face lighting up. "He has a 16-cylinder compressor sports model, and can he drive it! Never less than about 80 miles an hour when he goes through here."

"And when he sweats at his stableman," the chauffeur went on, admiration for his chief fairly bubbling in his voice, "you can hear him all the way across the lake."

Passed by the final guard, we entered a stone gateway and turned up a drive into a large court flanked on three sides by a low, rambling building laid out in the manner of the North German Bauernhof, or farmhouse.

At the far end of the court was the lodge, made of stone, and in the adjoining wings on either side were the stables and storage rooms. Numerous horse heads and antlers were mounted on the walls—facing the court, protected from the weather by the overhanging roofs.

AS we came to a stop, attendants attired as German foresters—grey-green coat and breeches trimmed with dark green, black boots, a Robin Hood hat with brush, and a huntsman's dagger in an ornamental sheath—stepped up and opened the door of the car, greeted us with "Heil!" (but no "Hitler"), and pointed the way to the heavy double doors leading into the lodge, one of which was ajar.

We entered a vast room which ran the entire length of the house and in which among other luxurious furnishings, were beautiful Roman sarcophagi and several magnificent paintings by Lucas Cranach, whom Goering calls his favourite artist.

At the centre of the room, standing in a characteristic pose with his hand resting on a huge oak writing table, was Goering, talking to some guests who had already arrived.

He was dressed in clothes of astonishing originality—long olive-green buckskin boots reaching well above his knees—beige-coloured buckskin breeches, a white silk shirt with an unusually large collar and wide, bowing sleeves which tapered

to the wrist, and a dark-green sleeveless suede-leather jacket adorned with buttons made from deer's teeth mounted in silver.

At the moment we came in he was proudly calling attention to these buttons, saying that he had shot the deer himself.

Around his neck was a red tartan cravat, which was kept in place by a great gold pin, and a gold hunting knife in a gold sheath inlaid with jewels hung from his belt, which had still more gold on it and resembled in many ways the less costly belts of American cowboys.

On the left side of his broad chest he wore the badge of the German Hunting Association, a stag with a swastika resting between its antlers. The stag, too, was gold and the swastika was set with emeralds and diamonds.

There were four big rings on his stubby but carefully manicured fingers: the largest, a platinum one set with a ruby and an emerald, was so wide that he could scarcely bend the finger at the second joint.

WE went over to Goering and introduced ourselves. He shook our hands vigorously and asked in German: "Did you have a nice trip out?" I said the trip was lovely but I had been uneasy about the guards who challenged us all along the way. "Oh," Goering said with a loud laugh, "you will become used to that in this country. Germans like to have lots of officials to bother them."

Presently a servant opened a pair of doors in the rear of the hall and nodded to Goering. "Who has the best appetite?" the master asked, and

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then started towards the dining room, leading the way for the rest of us, eighteen or twenty in all.

We passed several rooms, which I noticed were furnished in sharply contrasting styles. One of them, with Byzantine decorations, had a fountain in the centre of its floor; another had been made to look like an old Viking hall with heavy oaken beams and walls hung with ancient Norse shields and other implements of war.

The dining room was Louis Quinze in decor, done in a restful colour scheme of gilt and soft green; a series of french windows provided a splendid view of an expansive terrace and a lake behind it. Behind each chair stood a lackey dressed, eighteenth century style, in long white suede boots, green velvet breeches and tailcoat with gilt trimmings and white lace jabot and cuffs, but no wig.

The effect of cropped German heads and thick necks bulging out of such delicate finery was a peculiar one.

The luncheon consisted of asparagus soup, trout, saddle of venison, and dessert. In front of each guest stood four beautiful crystal wineglasses representing different periods of French and German glass-making, and they were filled in sequence as the meat progressed with two French and two German wines of truly impressive vintage.

Goering had the best appetite of any at the table.

He piled food on his plate time and again, and it seemed to me that his wineglass was constantly being refilled.

Once, when his lackey started to remove a half-empty glass at the end of a course, Goering snatched it and yelled "Hinaus!" ("Get out of here!"), laughing violently when some of his guests looked up from their food in surprise.

He had difficulty in keeping the flowing sleeves of his silk shirt out of his plate while eating, and I half expected him to roll them above his elbows.

When the meal was over and we were leaving the dining room, I noticed spots of gravy not only on his sleeves but also down the front of his jacket.



Coffee and liqueurs were served in the Viking hall. Goering talked steadily and mopped his forehead from time to time. Eating had turned his complexion from pink to florid red and he belched loudly now and then.

On an old Norse pedestal and column at one end of the room, with a spotlight focussed on it, was a bust of his first wife, Karin Goering, who died several years ago and for whom the Hall was named. I don't suppose the bust was made entirely of gold—we could not tell—but if it wasn't it was at least gold-plated.

Goering, noticing some of us looking towards the pedestal, pressed a button in the arm of his easy chair, and the bust began to revolve slowly. He kept it moving and sat there staring at it for several minutes.

When no one would accept more of the excellent coffee or cognac, both extreme rarities in war-time Germany, Goering asked if we would like to inspect the rest of the lodge.

We passed through a number of elaborately furnished rooms and then entered his gymnasium, which was equipped with quantities of apparatus for reducing and keeping fit. A rifle range and bowling alley adjoined this room.

Finally we were taken to the attic, where the floor of one enormous room was covered with a bas-relief reproduction of an Alpine setting laid out with the most complex miniature transportation system I have ever seen.

Here, said Goering with a smile, was where he spent his time when it was too wet to go hunting. He pressed a number of buttons, which sent railway trains dashing out of sheds and along tracks while signal lights flashed and switches operated automatically.

Goering with boyish delight, pushed other buttons to make toy motor-cars and trucks go spinning along highways. At last he said, "Now watch," and pressed still another button. A miniature aeroplane with three humming motors took off from the ground, spiralled into the air and curved above our heads.

WHEN it had landed Goering explained that it was guided by wires so fine that they were invisible. He was obviously more interested in his toys than in his guests, and stayed there for over half an hour squinting at his hunches and chuckling loudly to himself as he kept the machines hustling about.

Outside the lodge, a fleet of black cars was lined up along the drive to take us back to Berlin. A squad of eight German foresters stood by their heads almost circled by long, curved brass horns, and played old calls of the hunt just before we started.

Looking back as my car passed through the gateway, I saw Goering standing in front of his door, his fat legs wide apart, his arms akimbo, and his long, thinning hair ruffled by the wind.

TUNNY WINS Bat ON QUOTATION FROM SHAKESPEARE

NEW YORK. Gene Tunney, the former heavyweight champion boxer, won a bet of \$5,000 dollars to-day from Professor Jacob Taylor of the Ohio State University, over a quotation from Shakespeare. But he refused to take the money because he said he knew that he was betting on a certainty. "He was reciting the line 'Lay on Macduff' from 'Macbeth' when Professor Taylor interrupted him and said that he was wrong. Reference to the play proved Tunney to be right. The line occurs in act 5, scene 7." (The New York Times)

NEW BARON CREATED

Honour For Sir Henry Page Croft

LONDON, May 20 (Reuter).—Brigadier-General Sir Henry Page Croft, Bt., has been created a Baron.

Born in 1881, the new baron served in the European War from 1914-18 and was mentioned in despatches and created a C.M.G. He is the first Baronet, of Knole, Bournemouth, created in 1924.

He was Chairman of the Organisation Committee of the Tariff League, 1913-17, Chairman of the Executive of the Empire Industries Association and Chancellor of the Primrose League, 1928-29. A military member of the Hertfordshire Territorial Association and Chairman and Managing Director of the Henry Page and Co. Ltd. of Ware, he also owns a coffee plantation in Kenya.

The new baron was recently appointed Joint Parliamentary Secretary to the War Office.

Excels at Rowing

His publications are "The Path of Empire" (1912) and "Twenty-two Months Under Fire" (1917).

He was a keen sportsman in his younger days. He excelled at rowing, being in the Shrewsbury School eight for three years and being captain for two. He also won the school sculling twice won the Thames Cup at Henley and rowed three years for Trinity Hall, Cambridge.

His heir is Michael Henry Glen-dower Page, born in 1920.

Skating Rink Now Refugee Centre

London Hears Many Pitiful Stories

LONDON, May 20 (British Wire-less).—The Empress Stadium, where only last week Londoners were enjoying ice-skating, has now been converted into a vast centre for Dutch and Belgian refugees.

Hundreds of these homeless, utterly weary and saddened people—men, women and children—have been arriving in England since the invasion of their countries.

The stories they tell of their hurried evacuation, often bombed and machine-gunned by Nazi airmen, are pathetic.

The whole vast floor of the Empress Stadium is covered and long tables are set up where the refugees have their meals. Between the huge tiers of seats, beds have been laid out and in the ante-rooms complete hospital wards have been provided for the aged and those needing medical attention.

Sixty L.C.C. workers look after the refugees.

Curbing Nazis In The Americas

NEW YORK, May 20 (Reuter).—The Argentine and Uruguay Governments have now taken action to curb Nazi activities, according to a Buenos Aires dispatch to the "New York Times."

The dispatch adds that Chilean and Bolivian newspapers have called upon their governments to do likewise.

The dispatch also states: "M. Dealear, the former President of the Argentine, has declared: 'There is a well-organised Fifth Column in Argentina.'"

Quit Egypt, Advice To Americans

CAIRO, May 20 (Reuter).—The United States Legation here has advised all Americans to leave Egypt while the shipping routes are still open.

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SEVERE THRUSTS

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pulsed, only small detachments crossing and they were captured during the night.

Big infantry and heavy artillery fire against the bridgehead at Montmedy was repulsed with great enemy losses.

The only German success is the capture of a small blockhouse on one of the most advanced positions before the Maginot Line.

Summing up the spokesman said: "It can be said that all actions carried out by the enemy failed despite powerful artillery support and successive infantry attacks."

"From Montmedy to the Rhine and along the Rhine there is nothing to report, while in northern Belgium the Allies continue strategic movements without serious enemy interference."

Thrust Still Strong

PARIS, May 20 (Reuter).—Tonight's official communiqué states that the German thrust is still very strong in the region north and west of St. Quentin.

New enemy attacks have been repulsed in the Montmedy region. There is nothing of importance on the rest of the front.

There was great activity of our aviation in the course of the day. Numerous reconnaissances prepared an engagement of bombing formations on armoured enemy units.

Heavy bombing was carried out on the columns retreating their progress and inflicting losses on them.

Only 8 Weeks' Training

LONDON, May 20 (Reuter).—"In our infantry column at the Western Front there are soldiers there who have undergone a training of only eight weeks," declared a spokesman of the German High Command in a broadcast to-day.

"But," he added, "they have set their teeth and have managed to do their duty nevertheless."

Rome Stories

Afternoon papers to-day display stories of alleged German victories under huge headlines.

The "Piccolo" states that the Germans are continuing "their triumphal march towards the Channel Coast, whence they will be able to deliver a serious threat to Britain."

Threat To Cambrai

PARIS, May 20 (Reuter).—Up to a late hour to-day the military situation had undergone no important changes since Sunday.

A French military spokesman indicated that the Germans had made no further progress except possibly north-west of the bulge. The threat there seems to be aimed at Cambrai.

This is perhaps the crucial sector for it is thought that the Germans are hoping by this push to cut off the Allied troops in Belgium and northern France.

A French spokesman said to-day that both the British and French tanks were in action in this sector.

Confused Situation

On the whole, the situation west of the Sambre and Oise Canal is very confused.

Tanks on both sides are intermingled in the combat.

Both the Germans and the Allies are making local advances and retirement.

The Germans are now using motor cycle columns in a way in which they have not been employed before.

These are sent forward during the day and often withdrawn at night.

Four or five armoured divisions are believed to be employed in this particular sector alone.

They have suffered considerable losses and must be feeling the strain. On the whole, however, they are still pushing forward.

Premature Claim

On Sunday, the Germans claimed that they had taken St. Quentin. This seems to have been a premature claim.

To-day, they claimed to be beyond St. Quentin and pushing towards Peronne.

French sources, however, say that there was heavy fighting east of Cambrai. There is no clear cut front here.

However the Germans are encouraging resistance everywhere. German attacks on the Aisne River at Montmedy show that they are still trying to widen the bulge southwards and break its southern shoulder.

Surprise Raids Fail

Attempts to cross the Aisne River have only been local surprise attacks and only one or two units have got across.

On Sunday these were rounded up during the night by the French.

It is indicated in Paris that although in this sector the fighting is comparatively speaking, small yet it would be important if the enemy established points south of the river.

At Montmedy the Germans are battering away at a northern out-post of the Maginot Line and particularly by heavy artillery fire.

All the attacks have been repulsed with heavy losses. The Germans have only taken one small block house and one of the most advanced positions in front of the line.

South of Montmedy there is still nothing to report.

Ciano Going To Albania

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH".—ROME, May 20 (UP).—Count Ciano, the Italian Foreign Minister, is to proceed to Albania on an inspection tour.

This is interpreted in some quarters as an easing of the situation.

The Italian Ministry of Education to-day issued a decree ordering all schools to be closed as from May 31. Schools usually remain open until June 30.

Exchange At A Glance

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U.S. Cross rate in London	82 1/2
U.S. Cross rate in N.Y.	3.27 1/2

Archbishop's Message

Testing Time Of The Nation Has Come

LONDON, May 20 (British Wire-less).—The Archbishop of Canterbury, in a diocesan message, says:

"The hour has struck. The time of testing of the nation has come. Each one of us, in his own spirit, must strengthen the spirit of the whole nation, on which the issue of this tremendous struggle must finally depend."

"We shall need, each one of us, calmness, courage and self-control, not least if danger threatens us at home. We shall need, in all the varying fortunes of war, resolute faith and unwavering determination."

Keep Calm And Resolute

"So I bid you all, keep calm and resolute in the midst of the struggle. Be not distressed by disappointments or even reverses, and put little trust in rumours."

"In spite of the provocation, which will be great, restrain the passions of war—righteous indignation is one thing, mere clamorous anger is another. Keep clear before your minds hope of peace which, because it is just, will be lasting and in the final framing of which all nations shall have their part."

Nazi-Hungary Military Pact Is Reported

TOKYO, May 21 (Reuter).—German and Hungary signed a secret military agreement in Berlin on May 14, according to reliable information received by the "Asahi Shimbun" from Berlin.

The terms of this agreement are said to include:

(1) Hungary will permit German troops to pass through Hungary; (2) Germany will restore to Hungary part of Czech-Slovakia and Yugo-Slavia, and co-operate in the construction of a greater Hungary.

ANGLO-BELGIAN LINES INTACT

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the main railway to the present German front.

The Germans depend largely on these railways for their supplies.

According to Plan

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH".—LONDON, May 20 (UP).—The British-Belgian forces are continuing to retire to their new lines according to plan.

Liege and Namur fortresses are still resisting all German attempts to force their capitulation.

The official German report of the operations in Belgium yesterday admitted that the resistance by the Belgians had been "valiant."

FLANK ATTACKS

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gun. Each of the seven Frenchmen died at his post.

Pressure Turns

German pressure within the pocket itself has now definitely turned from the south towards Paris towards the west and north-west, the German objective now apparently being Amiens, Arras and thence on to Calais, Dunkerque and the Channel ports.

The main force of the German Army is still only thirty miles inside the French frontier, and the furthest point to which light reconnaissance mechanised troops have penetrated is but sixty miles.

ROME, May 20 (Reuter).—Marshal Badoglio, personally reported to Signor Mussolini on the inspection which he has made of Italy's western frontier.

LONDON, May 20 (British Wire-less).—The Lord Mayor's Red Cross Fund now stands at £1,462,000.

SITUATION IMPROVED

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troops now being brought up are attacking the German army.

Confident in its striking force, the German Army is pushing forward, but it is held up on the flanks, while in the centre every inch of ground is being disputed.

The position at Peronne is no clear. It is not known whether the town has been fully occupied by German troops or whether only a slight advance guard has reached it.

Maginot Line Attack Repulsed

Heavy German pressure is also being brought against the fortified region of Montmedy. This salient, which controls the passage of the Meuse east of Sedan, hampers German movements considerably.

A new attack against the Maginot Line at this point was repulsed, as were those launched in the same regions yesterday, with very heavy losses to the enemy.

Along the rest of the line to the Swiss frontier, there is nothing to report.

French Counter-Attack

PARIS, May 21 (UP).—A large-scale French counter-attack has been launched on the German lines north of Loen.

Loen was re-occupied by the French forces yesterday.

H.K. Stock Market

The following quotations were issued on the Hongkong Stock Market this morning.

BANKS

H.K. Banks \$.....1,350 sa.
H.K. Banks (Lon. Reg.) £. 78 n.
H.K. Banks (H.K. Reg.) £. 80 n.
Chartered Bank £. 30 1/2 n.
Mercantile, A. & B. £. 12 1/2 n.
East Asia \$.....73 n.

INSURANCES

Canton \$.....230 n.
Union \$.....455 sa.
China Underwriters \$.....85 cts. n.
H.K. Fire \$.....170 n.

SHIPPING

Douglases \$.....120 n.
Steamboats \$.....11 n.
Indo-China P. \$.....100 n.
Indo-China D. \$.....80 n.
Shell (Bearers) s/-.....60/- n.
Waterbonts \$ x d.....0.80 n.

DOCKS ETC.

Wharves \$.....100 n.
Docks \$ (c. ris.).....21 n.
Docks (ris.).....18 1/2 n.
Docks (ris.).....6 1/2 n.
Providents \$.....4.05 n.
Sh. Docks Sh. \$.....35 n.

MINING

Kailan s/-.....19/- n.
Rauba \$.....9.85 n.
H.K. Mines.....0.65 n.

LANDS

Hotels \$.....4.35 n.
Lands \$.....35 n.
Lands 4% Debentures.....100 n.
S'hai Lands Sh. \$.....12.80 n.
Humphreys \$.....8 b.
H.K. Realties \$.....4.20 n.
Chinese Estates \$.....104 1/2 n.

UTILITIES

Trams \$.....17 n.
Peak Trams (old) \$.....8 n.
Peak Trams (new) \$.....4 n.
Star Ferry \$.....60 n.
Y. Ferries \$ x d.....22.85 n.
China Lights (old) \$.....7.30 n.
China Lights (new) \$.....4 1/2 n.
H.K. Electric \$.....61 sa.
Macao Electric \$.....22 1/2 n.
Sandakan Lights \$.....11 1/2 n.
Telephones (old) \$.....20 1/2 n.
Telephones (new) \$.....10.20 n.

INDUSTRIALS

Cald: Macg. (Ord.) Sh. \$.....14.80 n.
Cald: Macg. (Pref.) Sh. \$.....12 n.
Canton Ice \$.....1 n.
Cement \$.....17 n.
H.K. Ropes \$.....5 1/2 n.

STORES, &c.

Dairy Farms \$.....20 1/2 sa.
Watsons \$.....9 n.
Lane Crawford \$.....8 1/2 n.
Sinceres \$.....2.60 n.
Wing On (H.K.) \$.....39 sa.
Powell Ltd. \$.....1.30 sa.

COTTON MILLS

Ewo Sh. \$.....43 1/2 n.
Shai Cotton Sh. \$.....230 n.

MISC.

H.K. Entertainments \$.....7 sa.
Constructions (old) \$.....1 1/2 n.
Constructions (new) \$.....1 n.
Vibro Piling \$.....8 n.
Ch. Govt 5% 1925 G.Sds. 48 1/2 n.
H.K. Govt 5% 1925 G.Sds. 102 n.
H.K. Govt 3 1/2% Loan.....87 n.
Marsmans Inv. (Lon.) s/-.....11/8 n.
Marsmans Inv. (H.K.) s/-.....4/- n.

SWEDEN DENIES NAZI DEMANDS

STOCKHOLM, May 20 (Reuter).—A report that Germany had presented far-reaching demands to Sweden, including the right to transport men, munitions and equipment across Sweden to Narvik, is stated to be unfounded by the Swedish Foreign Office.

No Confirmation

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH".—STOCKHOLM, May 20 (UP).—Unimpeachable Swedish informants state that Germany has presented far-reaching demands to Sweden, including the right to transport men, munitions and equipment across northern Sweden to reinforce the German at Narvik.

Sweden has rejected the proposals. Negotiations, however, are proceeding.

The report is denied by the German Propaganda Ministry.

No confirmation is obtainable in London.

WELLINGTON, May 20 (Reuter).—The whole of New Zealand's territorial troops will be given a three-month special training course while reservists will be given part time training.

POST OFFICE

Small Packet Post to all countries is suspended

OUTWARD MAIL TIMES
Registered and Parcel Mail are closed 15 minutes earlier than the time given below unless otherwise stated, and where mails are advertised to close at or before 9 a.m. registered and parcel mails are closed at 5 p.m. on the previous day. When mails are advertised to close after 5 p.m., Registered and Parcel mails are closed at 5 p.m.

INWARD MAILS

Manila.....May 21.
Air Mail by "Pan American Airways Direct Service"—San Francisco date, 14th May.....May 21.

Singapore and Amoy.....May 21.
Halphong and Hanoi.....May 21.
Japan.....May 21.

Straits.....May 21.
Air Mail by "Air France Direct Service"—Paris date, 15th May.....May 22.

Manila.....May 22.
Canton.....May 22.
Hanoi.....May 22.

Straits.....May 22.
Air Mail by "Imperial Airways Direct Service"—London date, 15th May.....May 23.

Canton.....May 23.
Japan and Manila.....May 23.
Sandakan.....May 23.

Canton.....May 24.
Japan.....May 24.
Japan and Manila.....May 25.

Shanghai and Swatow.....May 24.

OUTWARD MAILS

Port Bayard.....2.30 p.m.
Straits, Ceylon, India, East and South Africa.....2.00 p.m.
Port Bayard.....2.30 p.m.

Air Mail for "Imperial Airways Direct Service.".....K.P.O.
Reg.....May 21, 5 p.m.
Ord.....May 21, 5.30 p.m.

Reg.....May 21, 5 p.m.
Ord.....May 21, 7 p.m.
Air Mail for Malaya, Java and Australia by "Imperial Airways Direct Service.".....K.P.O.

Reg.....May 21, 5 p.m.
Ord.....May 21, 5.30 p.m.

Reg.....May 21, 5 p.m.
Ord.....May 21, 7 p.m.
Air Mail for Manila, Guam, Honolulu and U.S.A. by the "Pan American Airways Direct Service.".....K.P.O.

Reg.....May 21, 5 p.m.
Ord.....May 21, 5.30 p.m.

Reg.....May 21, 5 p.m.
Ord.....May 21, 7 p.m.

Wednesday, May 22

Port Bayard and Halphong.....10 a.m.
Amoy and Shanghai.....10 a.m.
Air Mail for Indo-China, Iran, and France (Paris and Northern Provinces only) by the "Air France Airways Direct Service.".....K. P. O.

Reg.....May 22, 5.00 p.m.
Ord.....May 22, 5.30 p.m.

Reg.....May 22, 5.00 p.m.
Ord.....May 22, 7.00 p.m.

Sandakan.....7 p.m.
Straits, Central and South America and Canada via San Francisco—(No Parcels for Canada).
Port.....May 22, 5 p.m.

Reg.....May 23, 9.15 a.m.
Ord.....May 23, 10 a.m.

Thursday, May 23

Bangkok.....7 p.m.
Friday, May 24

Canton.....7.15 a.m.
Swatow, Amoy and Formosa.....10.30 a.m.

Manila, Australia and New Zealand via Thursday Island.
G.P.O. and K.P.O.
Reg.....11.15 a.m.
Ord.....Noon.

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W. Trenchard Ser.	33	34	99
Sgt. C. Cole	33	33	30
A. Guard Ser.	31	32	31
J. W. W. Pritcham 3	29	31	29
W. W. Pritcham 3	29	31	29
L. J. S. Blake Ser.	28	29	27
C. Thorne 6	28	29	27
Open Rights			
Sgt. R. J. Heap Ser.	28	28	29
H. L. R. J. Merrall 6	27	27	27
A. Evans 10	27	27	27
H. Wynne 10	24	24	24
B. Baines 8	23	24	23
N. V. Whyte 8	23	23	27
N. V. Whyte 8	22	22	27
J. Johnston 6	22	27	21
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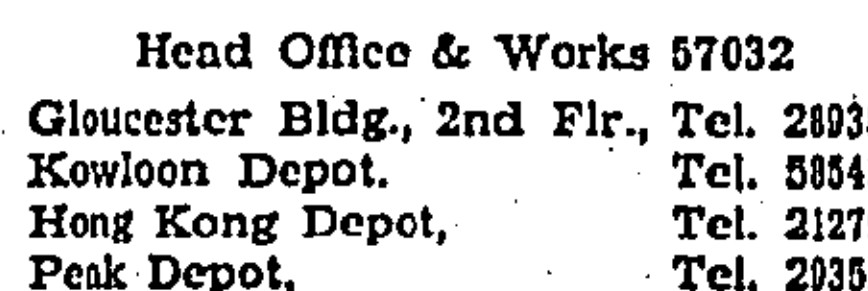
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Sgt. Ritchie	91	L. A. C. Henley	100
Sgt. Perkins	97	Cpl. Gash	98
Sgt. Gowans	98	W. O. Tollison	97
Sgt. Wall	93	P/O. Grey	93
Sgt. Russell	99	Mr. Evans	93
Cpl. Naranjan Singh	80	F/O. Farmer	81
Total:	557	Total:	574

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EVERYWHERE

Continuous Raids On Nazi Supply Dumps

STIRRING FEATS BY THE R.A.F.

LONDON, May 20 (Reuter).—The Air Ministry announces that the bomber aircraft of the R.A.F. maintained pressure on the enemy lines of communication last night.

Oil refineries in north-west Germany have also been successfully attacked.

South of Brussels, operations have been carried out against railway stations and bridges.

The railway bridge at Roux sustained a direct hit. Damage was done to rolling stock and the permanent way.

Troops and tank concentrations were attacked in the Alsace sector.

Near Sedan a lorry park was set on fire.

From all these operations, involving a large number of R.A.F. bombers, only two failed to return despite intense enemy anti-aircraft fire.

Aerodrome Bombed

The aerodrome at Vemica, north of Trondheim, was also successfully attacked last night.

A large number of enemy aircraft there were repeatedly bombed and machine-gunned by relays of Hudson aircraft.

Much damage is believed to have been done and seven fires were started.

All day long our fighter aircraft have been called upon to engage with the superior forces of the enemy, to drive off formations of bombers which continually harass the Allied troops and to attack their fighter escorts.

After almost every engagement they return after having inflicted heavy losses on the enemy. Then they immediately take off again to renew the struggle.

One Against Four

Thus, in patrols over France and Belgium yesterday, one squadron of Hurricanes sighted over 100 enemy aircraft. In a series of combats they disposed of 11, eight of which were enemy fighters.

One young pilot, who took on four Heinkel 111's one after the other, destroyed three of them.

Reports which have been received up to now, confirm that 30 enemy aircraft were destroyed by R.A.F. aircraft yesterday and many others were heavily damaged.

Victories against such odds are not won without loss and 14 of our fighters are missing.

Week-End Raids

LONDON, May 20 (Reuter).—It is authoritatively learned that fighters and bombers of one R.A.F. group fought their way through waves of German bombers on Saturday and Sunday.

They brought down over 50 Heinkels, bombers, Junkers, Messerschmitts. The R.A.F. suffered less than half of that number of casualties.

They watched 34 of their enemies crash and knew that their bullets had put another 16 planes out of action.

Further Details

LONDON, May 20 (Reuter).—Further details are now available concerning the operations by R.A.F. bombers on Saturday night.

Their objectives included the large oil storage tanks at Melsburg, which is a few miles from Hanover, and the important roads and bridges behind the enemy's lines at Gembloux, Givet, Dinant and Namur.

The attack on the oil storage tanks began shortly before midnight and before the last of the raiders left, about two hours later, fires and explosions made evident the success of their bombardment.

Oil Tanks Still Blaze

At one stage of the operations, seven bombs were seen to fall diagonally across the target and three big explosions immediately followed.

Several huge fires also broke out. On the way home one raider reported that the oil storage tanks at Bremen, which were bombed on Friday night, were still on fire.

New Page In History

LONDON, May 20 (Reuter).—In the last five days the R.A.F. have written a page of history which will

BATTLE OF THE BULGE

Graphic Description By Eyewitness

LONDON, May 20 (Reuter).—"Reuter's" special correspondent with the B.E.F. writes: "Along the leafy lanes of France across carefully cultivated countryside, the battle of the bulge still rages.

"German heavy columns, led by tanks and shepherded by a vast fan of bomber formations like a flock of birds, are striking westward in a tremendous effort to enlarge the breach in the original Allied line.

Deaths Of Heroism

"In their path deeds of heroism of a high order are an hourly occurrence.

"British armoured vehicles from the north and French from the south charge into the invaders' flanks, while French formations challenge them in front.

"Farm carts, motor-cars and lorries turned on their sides, tree trunks, railway trucks and any other kind of obstacle were used to barricade the roads.

"Anti-tank guns are rushed into position; fighting vehicles are sent speeding to the battle zone; troops have rushed to fill the gaps. All the time, ships are disgorging fresh troops from England and lorries wheel them from the coast.

"Simultaneously British fighters attack the enemy air formations and bombers beat the ground in front and behind the German columns.

Nazi Push Slowed Down

"Thus has the German push been slowed down, though in the bewildering changes in thrust and counter-thrust, it is yet impossible to paint a clear picture of events.

"British aircraft continue their valourous career and fighters up to Saturday had positively destroyed over 200 German machines.

"The average odds against the British pilots have been four to one. On one occasion 11 Hurricanes attacked an aerial armada of 90 German bombers escorted by 21 Messerschmitt 110's and brought down many of the enemy until only four of the British attackers remained when the bombers turned back without dropping a single bomb.

The Bridge Was Destroyed

"R.A.F. bombers have been equally efficacious. After their raids, enemy tanks have been seen ashore and overturned, roads have been blocked with wreckage and bridges have been blown up.

"One of the most important bridges survived eight efforts to destroy it. The pilots and crews of four bombers approached the Commanding Officer, and the senior pilot said: 'Sir, can we have permission to finish it?'

"The Squadron Leader replied: 'Do it.' Four bombers ascended. None returned but the bridge was destroyed."

Another Great Task

To-day they have another task—to stop the supplies, particularly those of petrol, from coming up to the Nazi armoured columns.

The Allied Air Forces are taking what may yet prove to be a decisive action. They have already had a great deal of success. They have also bombed the petrol stores at Bremen and other cities. The Germans are well aware of the danger of defending their supplies with fighters.

We have fighters too and machines that are better than the Nazi machines and flown by better pilots.

"We Have Come Out Best"

We have always come out best in fighter-to-fighter combats. Our bombers have nearly always managed to fight their way through to their objectives.

Sometimes they had to fly at tree level and even around trees above spitting machine guns.

Perhaps one of the most amazing things about the recent air activity has been the way in which pilots, given up for lost, have reappeared.

A Look Through The "Telegraph"

50 YEARS AGO

According to a home paper, the formation of the native regiment about to be sent for service at Hongkong is proceeding at once. It will consist of 20 officers, European and native, 2 warrant officers, 40 sergeants, 10 drummers, and 600 rank and file—total 1,010. The necessary votes have been taken in the current year's estimate.

25 YEARS AGO

A message from Calais says that Zeppelins dropped bombs there, killing some children.

A Paris evening communique states that the enemy in Belgium, menaced by a complete envelopment by our successes, evacuated last night their remaining positions on the west of the Yser.

Reuter's at Rome reports that the newpapers announce the departure of the Austro-German Ambassadors is imminent. Two special trains are held in readiness. There have been no demonstrations in the Italian cities, rejoicing in Signor Salandra's return. It is emphasised that the crisis has resulted in uniting Italy under the national flag.

10 YEARS AGO

The Royal and Ancient game was never so alive as to-day when it was watched by the Prince of Wales, Prince George, the Duke of Gloucester and the Duke of York at Sunningdale.

The last of the three palatial motor vessels built by the Nippon Yusen Kaisha, the Orient California, is being fitted out for service. The Chichibu Maru, will arrive here to-day from Shanghai about noon and will berth at Kowloon Wharf.

5 YEARS AGO

The world awaits with keen interest the speech of Adolf Hitler to the Reichstag to-morrow at 4 p.m. which is believed to contain the chief European Governments have let it be known in Berlin that the mere rearmament of Germany will not give peace worth the price of blood.

The problem which has arisen owing to the Italo-Abyssinian dispute on the one hand and the League of Nations Council on Wednesday or Thursday of this week, it is believed, the League is endeavouring to bring about a settlement, and to this end is bringing what pressure it is able to bear upon both parties to the dispute.

Mr. Winston Churchill, noted Parliamentarian and a close friend of the late Lord Lawrence, hero of Arnhem, was paid a tribute to the young archaeologist who became one of Britain's most famous soldiers.

"I had hoped to see him in quiet retirement or taking a commanding part in the country. No such blow has befallen the Empire in many years as this young man's untimely death."

FOOD SITUATION REMAINS GOOD

Encouraging Statement By Minister

LONDON, May 20 (Reuter).—Lord Woolton, the Minister of Food, states that he is satisfied that his organization will be able to deal with the distribution of food supplies even in the event of an air attack on any part of the country.

The invasion of the Low Countries, he said, had cost Britain some items of food, but they could be obtained elsewhere.

He has no intention of using his emergency powers to stop brewing but curtailing the supply of sugar, although there will be cuts. All manufacturers will receive not less than 40 per cent. of their pre-war requirements.

Nazi Gen. To Rule Occupied-Belgium

LONDON, May 20 (Reuter).—It is learned that General von Brauchitsch has appointed General von Falkenhausen to be the Military Commander of Belgium and Holland.

The occupied areas in these countries will be under military administration.

Holland will be under the command of General von Falkenhausen. Dr. Arthur Seyss-Inquart takes over his office as Nazi Gauleiter of the occupied areas.

Military Administration

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH" BERLIN, May 20 (UP).—DNE reports that Hitler has empowered General Brauchitsch to establish a military administration in all German-occupied territories.

General von Falkenhausen has been appointed Military Commander of Belgium and the Netherlands.

The Germans have already established arbitrary rates of exchange in the occupied areas.

The Dutch guilder has been grotesquely undervalued at 1½ marks, while the Belgians must exchange their francs for 10 pfennings. In the small area of France already occupied, the rate of exchange of the French franc has been set at five pfennings.

Canada To Raise More Troops

OTTAWA, May 20 (Reuter).—According to the "Ottawa Journal," Mr. Mackenzie King is expected to announce that Canada will immediately raise a third division of the active service force which would probably mean that Canada maintain two divisions overseas and a third in Canada for supplying reinforcements.

Safe Guarding The Guilder

BATAVIA, May 20 (Reuter).—Foreign exchange restrictions have come into force in the Netherlands to-day.

Malta and its vicinity are blacked-out every night.

CHANGE IN POLICIES

French Appointments Analysed

LONDON, May 20 (Reuter).—"Reuter's" diplomatic correspondent states that the alterations in the French Cabinet and High Command make a very definite change in French policy both on the battlefield and world politics.

General Maxime Weygand's reputation for drive and energy is too well-known to require emphasis. The only surprising feature is that his talents have not been requisitioned earlier for the Western Front, although he had a very important position as C-in-C. in the Near East.

Undoubtedly his plans will be the basis of Allied operations should war break out in that theatre.

London Appointments

The new ministerial appointments are regarded in London with general approbation.

The transfer of M. Charles Roux from the Vatican to the post of Secretary-General of the Quai d'Orsay in succession to M. Alexis Leger, who has been Chief of the permanent officials for many years, is considered very significant.

It will in any way affect the close-ness of Anglo-French co-operation, but may facilitate a re-orientation of French policy in other directions.

Turkey Impressed

ANKARA, May 20 (Reuter).—Mr. Churchill's rousing speech and the appointment of General Maxime Weygand have caused a favourable impression in Turkey.

The entire press expresses confidence in a final victory for the Allies.

Appointment Welcomed

LONDON, May 20 (Reuter).—Britain warmly welcomes General Weygand's new appointment as Commander-in-Chief in France.

There is supreme confidence here in Paris of his ability to shoulder the task.

It is recalled that Marshal Foch on his death-bed said that if France was in danger they should send for General Weygand.

He was Marshal Foch's right-hand man and played a great part in preserving Poland in 1920.

He has recently been the French Commander-in-Chief in the Near East.

To-day at 73 he is still at the height of his powers of energy.

50,000 Planes A Year

Appeal To U.S. Aviation Manufacturers

WASHINGTON, May 20 (Reuter).—The Assistant Secretary for War, Mr. Louis Johnson, addressed over 100 representatives of the United States aviation industry at a conference to-day to discuss President Roosevelt's appeal for 50,000 planes a year.

Mr. Johnson asked the manufacturers to achieve this goal "as quickly, efficiently and cheaply as possible."

Similar statements were made by Mr. Henry Morgenthau, Secretary of Treasury, Mr. and Mrs. Hinkley, Secretary of War and Mr. Hinkley, Secretary of Civil Aeronautics.

General George Marshall, Chief of Staff of the U.S. Army, informed the Military Commission of the House of Representatives that the War Department wishes to expand the army's air corps from the present limit of 6,000 to 10,000.

EGYPT TAKING PRECAUTIONS

CAIRO, May 20 (Reuter).—Preventive measures against the fifth columnists in Egypt are well in hand. Special squads have been detailed to keep track of suspects.

Precautions against parachute landings have been taken here.

Malta Prepared

VALLETTA, Malta, May 20 (Reuter).—Preparations are being made here to meet any parachute menace.

A volunteer contingent has been formed and there has been a big rush to join the contingent.

STOCK EXCHANGE PRICES DOWN

LONDON, May 20 (Reuter).—On the Stock Exchange to-day, prices were mostly marked down as a precautionary measure in view of the existing international situation, but no selling pressure was seen.

Japanese bonds advanced by one or two points on the possibility of an improvement in Far Eastern relations.

Wall Street was firm.

Queen Wilhelmina Receives Envoy

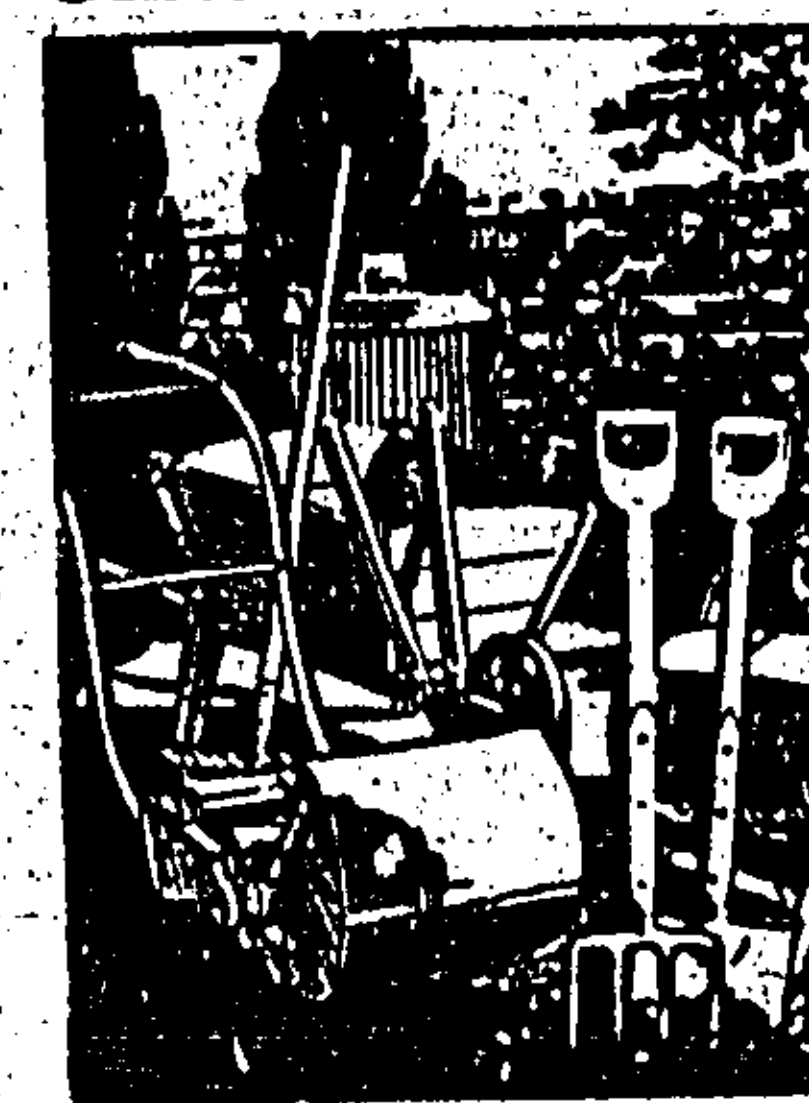
LONDON, May 20 (Reuter).—Queen Wilhelmina of the Netherlands received the American Ambassador, Mr. Joseph P. Kennedy, at Buckingham Palace to-day.

Mediterranean Coast Black-out

JERUSALEM, May 20 (Reuter).—A successful black-out practice on the Mediterranean coast was held on Saturday night.

Malta and its vicinity are blacked-out every night.

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EIRE CALLS UP RESERVES

DUBLIN, May 20 (Reuter).—It is officially announced that during the week-end certain classes of reservists were recalled to the colours to strengthen the defence forces.

New Powers For Military Courts

PARIS, May 20 (Reuter).—The Council of Ministers met this evening and adopted various decree laws enabling military tribunals to deal more rapidly with certain crimes which are regarded as specially grave in the existing circumstances.



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IRON CROSS HEROES ON OUR SIDE

BY BERNARD GRAY

GERMANS who were awarded the Iron Cross for bravery against us in the last war are now in Franco wearing the uniform of the British Army.

And their one complaint is that this time they are fighting with picks and spades instead of machine-guns and rifles.

They are Auxiliary Military Pioneers—a labour unit—engaged in vital work in the B.E.F. lines of communication.

Altogether there are more than 500 Germans, and others are on the way.

I found them singing as they worked, "It's a Long Way to Tipperary," which many of them learned between 1914 and 1918 through hearing it floating across No Man's Land from British trenches.

"Fighting For Wife"

"They never sing German songs," the C.O. of one company told me. "We don't mind if they do, but they themselves refuse. Most of them have had such a bad time in Germany that they want to forget about it."

Some of the stories I heard constitute a damning indictment of the Nazi system, if any further evidence is needed, I can give no names. Most of these men still have relatives in Nazi territory who would suffer if their identity were disclosed.

One fair-haired sergeant was nearly beaten to death in a concentration camp after the Nazis had stolen his business and his money. Turned out of the country, a homeless wanderer, cut off from wife and friends, he found refuge in England.

"My wife is still in Germany," he told me. "I got a letter from her just before war broke out, saying that if it happened she wanted me to join the British Army. I feel as if I am fighting for her, as well as for Britain."

Another had been a prosperous solicitor. "I was lucky to leave the concentration camp alive," he said. "To this day I don't know why I was sent there. The Nazis beat me and shot many of my friends. Let me get at them!"

Crosses Left Behind

All these men with whom I spoke said they had hoped to be able to join the Army as fighters. But all of them realise the value of the work they are doing and tackle it with great enthusiasm.

Their discipline is among the strictest I have seen since I came to France six months ago. And when one man was reported for overstaying his evening leave by a quarter of an hour, the rest got together and sent an apology to the Commanding Officer.

M. Reynaud and M. Corbin, the French Ambassador, seen off from No. 10 by Mr. Chamberlain. Below: General Sir Edmund Ironside arriving for the meeting. He wore his Cross of the Legion of Honour for the first time in London.



The Iron Crosses have been left in England with their personal belongings.

WAR COUNCIL MEETING



Neutral Press Visualise Nazi Defeat

Cite German Failure
Of 25 Years Ago

LONDON, May 20 (Reuter).—The Cairo paper, "Wafd Elmasri," says: "Hitler is sacrificing colossal men and materials in a massed mechanised offensive and has succeeded in breaking through the French lines, though not the Maginot Line."

"Those thinking that it is cause for pessimism should remember the Great War when twice large-scale German offensives took the German armies within measurable distance of Paris, the first leading to the great German defeat at the battle of the Marne, and the second leading to the complete collapse of the German army."

Ignominious Defeat

"In fact the tactical successes achieved by the Germans in 1918 contributed in the long run to their defeat. The enormous losses they suffered and the salients created by these successes rendered them incapable of standing up to the Allied counter-strokes."

"The German system has produced not ultimate victory but ultimate defeat. Leading Syrian dailies, summing up the events since the Low Countries were invaded, strike an optimistic note, expressing entire faith in the Allies and confidence in ultimate victory."

War Not One Battle

Under the heading "No Justification for Pessimism," the "Annahar," in an editorial, states that war is not one battle, especially the current war, whose parallel is unknown in history: it is a series of battles in which the belligerents face defeats and victory, but the last word will be for those who can stick to the end.

Concluding, the paper says that Germany will pay very dearly for every inch they advance. She is in a hurry while the Allies are not. The German advance on the Western Front is much less than in the last war. Therefore there is no room for pessimism. We have hundreds of reasons that the Allies will ultimately win the war and generations will sing their victory for ages to come.

Millions Hear Woman "Crash" on Radio

NEW YORK.

AN official of the National Broadcasting Company told in a shaking voice of the strange and menacing visit of a woman with English accent who said she was "Catharine Howard, of the B.B.C."

She stalked into the studio at Station WEAJ while a play was being broadcast, threatened the actors with an axe, contributed derisive hoots, and left after delivering a short lecture on the general ineptitude of the production.

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Actors Ducked
Eluding attendants outside the N.B.C. building, the woman burst into the studio while the play was on, seized from the sound-effects table an axe which was there to produce a noise resembling wood-chopping, and made a succession of almost lethal swings over and around the actors' heads.

They ducked and turned pale, but heroically went on with their lines, while the woman roamed about the studio, falling over cables, uttering exclamations, and repelling attempts to eject her.

When at last the play ended, the visitor addressed a series of disparaging remarks to the trembling cast and producer; then swiftly left and, before the officials recovered, was in the street, mingling with the crowds.

A B.B.C. official said to a reporter that he had no knowledge of a Catharine Howard employed by the Corporation. [In English history, Catharine Howard was fifth queen of Henry VIII, married July, 1540; beheaded 1542.]

ROAD TO BE WIDENED

The Government is going ahead with plans to widen the roadway at Causeway Bay, to the same width as other portions of the new King's Road.

It is intended to remove a length of approximately 1,400 feet. Tenderers have been called for the work, and will be received until June 8.

HIS FIRST FIGHT WAS HIS LAST ONE

SIXTEEN-YEAR-OLD Patrick Edgell fought his first fight at a Nottingham tournament, and won. But he will never box again.

LATE NEWS

Less than half an hour later he saw his brother Dennis, aged 19, fall from the ring and die. Dennis, who lived at Trent-road, Beeston, Nottingham, did not go to the tournament to box, but to see how Patrick got on.

For, as a winner of 41 fights out of 45, he had been coaching Patrick.

Jumped At Chance

But he took his boxing-kil with him on the offchance that he might act as a substitute.

Patrick won easily, the referee stopping the bout. Then it was the last fight of the evening—there was an appeal for a substitute, as one of the boxers billed to appear had hurt his hand.

Dennis jumped at the chance. It was in the second round when he fell from the ring. Seconds carried him, unconscious, to a dressing-room. A doctor was at his side within a few minutes, but Dennis died.

Pointing to a dozen silver cups standing on the piano at their home, Mrs. Edgell said that Dennis had won them all. "Patrick has told me he will never enter a ring again," she added. "I should be terrified if he did."

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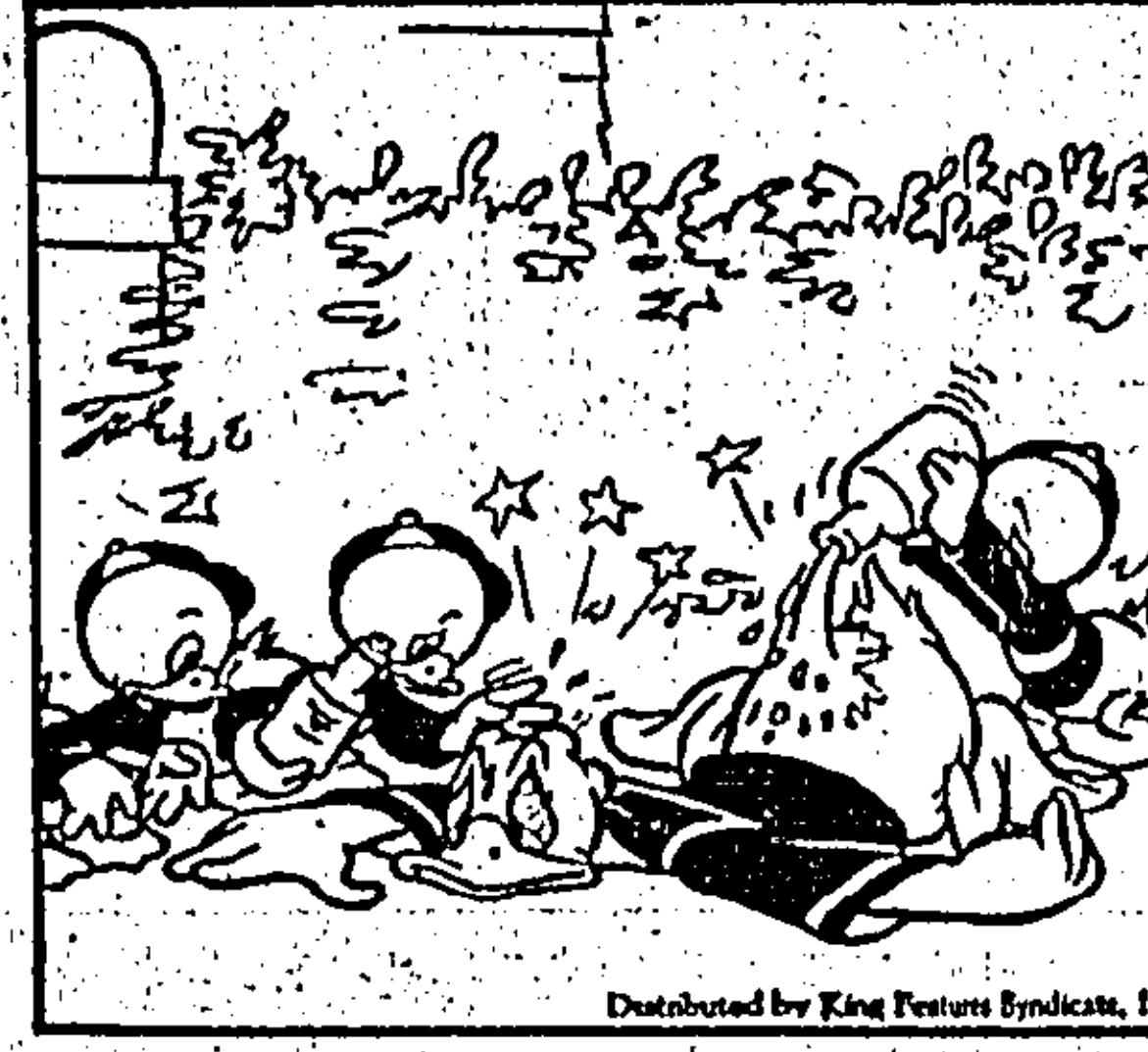
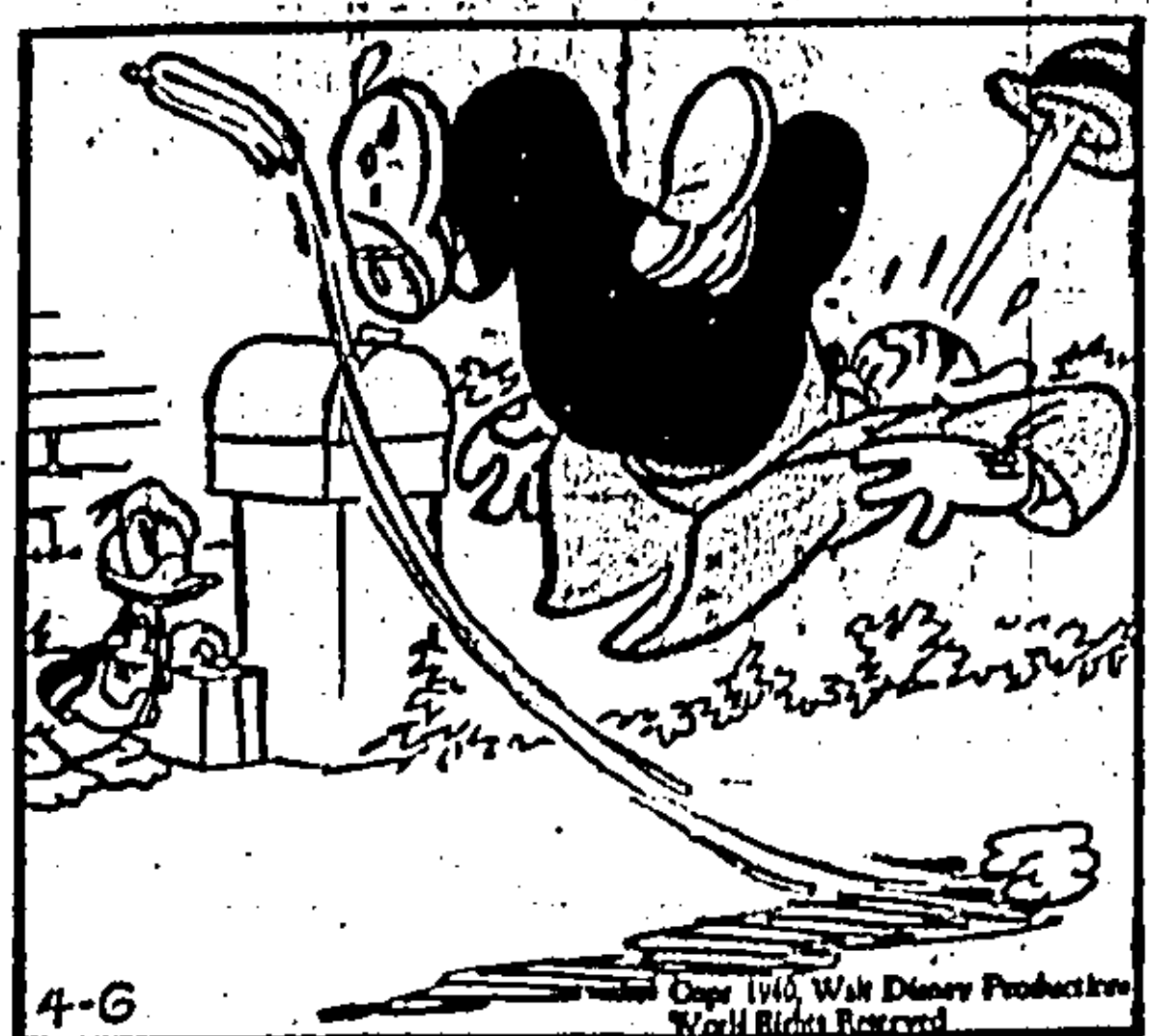
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12.30 Roy Fox and His Orchestra and Elsie Carlisle (Vocal).

1.00 Local Time Signal and Weather Report.

1.05 Compositions of Mendelssohn.

1.30 Reuter and Rugby Press; Weather Forecast and Announcements.

1.45 Variety with The Western Brothers, Florence Desmond and Rolo Da Costa.

2.15 Close Down.

6.00 An Hour of Dance Music.

7.00 Closing Local Stock Quotations.

7.05 Selections from Light Opera.

7.30 London Relay—The News.

8.00 Local Time Signal, Weather Report and Announcements.

8.05 Studio—Recital by Angelika Nessler Steinschneider (Soprano) with Piano accompaniment by E. O'Neill Shaw.

1. (a) In the Churchyard (Brahms); (b) The Abandoned (Joseph Marx); 2. Three Russian Songs; (a) No. 4 of Four Japanese Melodies (Ippolitow-Ivanow, Op. 60); (b) Green (Serge Bortkiewicz); (c) The Lonely Steppe (Gretchaninow).

8.20 Beethoven—Concerto in B Flat Major.

Paul Casals (Cello) and the London Symphony Orchestra cond. by Sir London Ronald.

8.45 Studio—Piano Recital by Nura Kanis.

Bach—Partita No. 1, (a) Prelude, (b) Courante, (c) Menuet, (d) Allemande, (e) Sarabande, (f) Minuet, (g) Gigue.

9.05 The Walter String Players.

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The Transfer Books of the Company will be closed from the 23rd May to 13th June inclusive.

By order of the Board,
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The Fifty-ninth Ordinary Meeting of Shareholders will be held at the Offices of the undersigned on Wednesday, the 22nd May, 1940, at Noon, for the purpose of receiving the Report of the General Agents, together with a statement of Accounts for the year ended the 31st December, 1939.

The Share Register and Transfer Books will be closed from the 8th May to the 22nd May, 1940, both days inclusive.

JARDINE, MATHESON &
CO., LTD.,
General Agents,
Hongkong, 1st May, 1940.

9.15 London Relay—News Summary.

9.30 London Relay—"Cards on the Table."

9.45 Military Band Music.

10.00 Variety Programme with The Duncan Sisters, "Hutch", The Hill Billies, Oliver Wakefield, Bobby Breen, and Others.

11.00 Close Down.

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The Band of the 2nd Batta. The Royal Scots will play "Retreat" on the grounds of the Club on Wednesday, 22nd May at 6.15 p.m.

The Pavilion and Seats in front will be reserved for Members and their families.

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By Order of the Committee,
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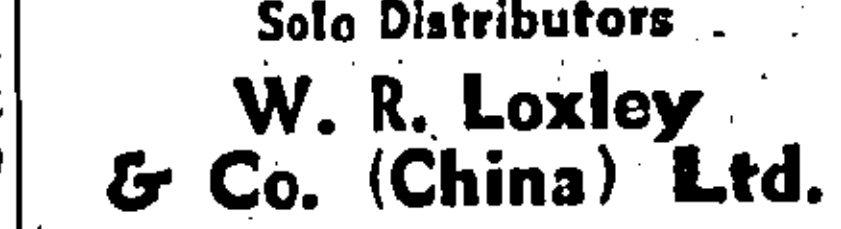
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Archbishop's
Message

Testing Time Of The
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LONDON, May 20 (British Wireless).—The Archbishop of Canterbury, in a diocesan message, says:

"The hour has struck. The time of testing of the nation has come. Each one of us, in his own spirit, must strengthen the spirit of the whole nation, on which the issue of this tremendous struggle must finally depend."

"We shall need, each one of us, calmness, courage and self-control, not least in danger threatens us at home. We shall need, in all the varying fortunes of war, resolute faith and unswerving determination."

Keep Calm And Resolute

"So I bid you all, keep calm and resolute in the midst of the struggle. Be not distressed by disappointments or even reverses, and put little trust in rumours."

"In spite of the provocation, which will be great, restrain the passions of war, righteous indignation is one thing, mere clamorous anger is another. Keep clear before your minds the hope of peace, which, because it is just, will be lasting and in the final triumph of which all nations shall have their part."

GALLANTRY
DURING
TYPHOONAwards For Naval
Yard Heroes

Awards for gallantry in the rescue of the crew of a capsized sampan near Stonecutter's Island during the typhoon last November were presented at the Royal Naval Armaments Depot to-day by the Commander-in-Chief, China Station, Admiral Sir Percy Noble.

Mr. James Hawke, pier master, and Gulam Mohammed, Indian constable of the Royal Naval Yard Police received the medal of the Royal Humane Society. Chung Kam Wing, police room-boy, was given a testimonial on vellum.

It was the sixth occasion that Mr. Hawke had saved lives from drowning, said Sir Percy Noble, and Gulam Mohammed had twice before been commended by the commodore for prompt action in helping drowning persons.

Rescues Described

"During the typhoon on November 23," said Sir Percy Noble, "Mr. Hawke, who was wearing heavy oilskins, was informed that a sampan was in trouble 150 yards off the shore. He ran 300 yards to the beach and found that the sampan, to which the crew of three had lashed themselves, had capsized."

"He took off his coat, swam to the sampan and began freeing the men from their lashings."

"Gulam Mohammed followed Mr. Hawke very closely and although swept off his feet by a wave and injured, succeeded in swimming to the sampan."

"He assisted Mr. Hawke to release the first victim, a boy of 14 and swam with him to the shore. He returned immediately to the sampan and assisted in the rescue of the two others."

"Chung Kam-wing obtained a life-belt and reel. Although he is of diminutive stature, and in face of advice from people who had collected by this time, he swam out to the sampan and helped rescue the last two victims, an elderly man who was quite helpless, and his 21-year-old son."

Five Previous Rescues

"It was not the first time that Mr. Hawke who started his career as a physical instructor in the King's Own Scottish Borderers had saved lives."

"When he was a small boy he rescued his brother."

"In 1932 he rescued a French woman from the water near the West Wall."

"In 1935 he saved a Chinese lad at 'Castle Peak'."

"In 1936 he rescued a European child at Deep Water Bay."

"In 1937 he helped rescue 11 men and a woman from a drifting steamer during the typhoon of that year."

"Gulam Mohammed, too, was highly commended to the commodore in 1924 for his prompt action in assisting a Chinese out of the water near the West Wall after he had fallen from a boat."

"In 1931 he was again highly commended for bringing ashore a Chinese who had fallen into the water near the Royal Naval Armaments Depot."

"Chung Kam-wing has been employed at the depot for the last two and a half years and has performed his duties in a very faithful manner. His experience of swimming goes back three years and although he had no previous experience in life saving he was not found wanting when the opportunity came."

Medal To Be Prized

"Of all the awards that can be given in the British Empire I think that the Humane Society's medal is the one to be most prized. It means that, without the excitement of war, at a time when there is no expectation of danger, a man has performed an action which brings forth the admiration of his brother men."

"In times like this when we are fighting an enemy who abuses all the laws of warfare and commits crimes against every dictate of humanity it is very refreshing to be here at this ceremony and award merit distinguished to people who did obey the dictates of humanity," Sir Percy Noble concluded.

Mr. Hawke had to dive beneath the sampan and untie knots while under water to free the crew from their lashings. The wind, at the time, was blowing at 75 m.p.h. and none of the rescued men could swim. When Gulam Mohammed took the first man ashore, Chung Kam-wing helped keep the second afloat while Mr. Hawke struggled to free the third man who was lashed to the mast. The presentation was made on the lawn in front of the depot.

NEW BARON
CREATEDHonour For Sir Henry
Page Croft

LONDON, May 20 (Reuter).—Brigadier-General Sir Henry Page Croft, Bt., has been created a Baron.

Born in 1881, the new baron served in the European War from 1914-16 and was mentioned in despatches and created a C.M.G. He is the first Baronet of Knole, Bournemouth, created in 1924.

He was Chairman of the Organisation Committee of the Tariff League, 1913-17, Chairman of the Executive of the Empire Industries Association and Chancellor of the Primrose League 1928-29. A military member of the Hertfordshire Territorial Association and Chairman and Managing Director of the Henry Page and Co. Ltd. of Ware, he also owns a coffee plantation in Kenya.

The new baron was recently appointed Joint Parliamentary Secretary to the War Office.

Excelled At Rowing

His publications are "The Path of Empire" (1912) and "Twenty-two Months Under Fire" (1917).

He was a keen sportsman in his younger days. He excelled at rowing, being in the Shrewsbury School eight for three years and being captain for two. He also won the school sculling twice won the Thames Cup at Henley and rowed three years for Trinity Hall, Cambridge.

His heir is Michael Henry Glen-dower Page, born in 1920.

Skating Rink
Now Refugee
CentreLondon Hears Many
Pitiful Stories

LONDON, May 20 (British Wireless).—The Empress Stadium, where only last week Londoners were enjoying ice-skating, has now been converted into a vast centre for Dutch and Belgian refugees.

Hundreds of these homeless, utterly weary and saddened people—men, women and children—have been arriving in England since the invasion of their countries.

The stories they tell of their hurried evacuation, often bombed and machine-gunned by Nazi airmen, are pathetic.

The whole vast floor of the Empress Stadium is covered and long tables are set up where the refugees have their meals. Between the huge tiers of seats, beds have been laid out and in the ante-rooms complete hospital wards have been provided for the aged and those needing medical attention.

Sixty L.C.C. workers look after the refugees.

50,000 Planes
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Appeal To U.S. Aviation
Manufacturers

WASHINGTON, May 20 (Reuter).—The Assistant Secretary for War, Mr. Louis Johnson, addressed over 100 representatives of the United States aviation industry at a conference to-day to discuss President Roosevelt's appeal for 50,000 planes a year.

Mr. Johnson asked the manufacturers to achieve this goal "as quickly, efficiently and cheaply as possible."

Similar statements were made by Mr. Henry Morgenthau, Secretary of Treasury, Mr. Henry Woodring, Secretary for War and Mr. Hinkley, Chairman of Civil Aeronautics.

General George Marshall, Chief of Staff of the U.S. Army, informed the Military Commission of the House of Representatives that the War Department wishes to expand the army's air corps from the present limit of 6,000 to 10,000.

Queen Wilhelmina
Receives Envoy

LONDON, May 20 (Reuter).—Queen Wilhelmina of the Netherlands received the American Ambassador, Mr. Joseph P. Kennedy, at Buckingham Palace to-day.

offices. The European, Indian and Chinese staffs of the depot attended Sir Percy Noble, who was accompanied by Commodore A. M. Peters.

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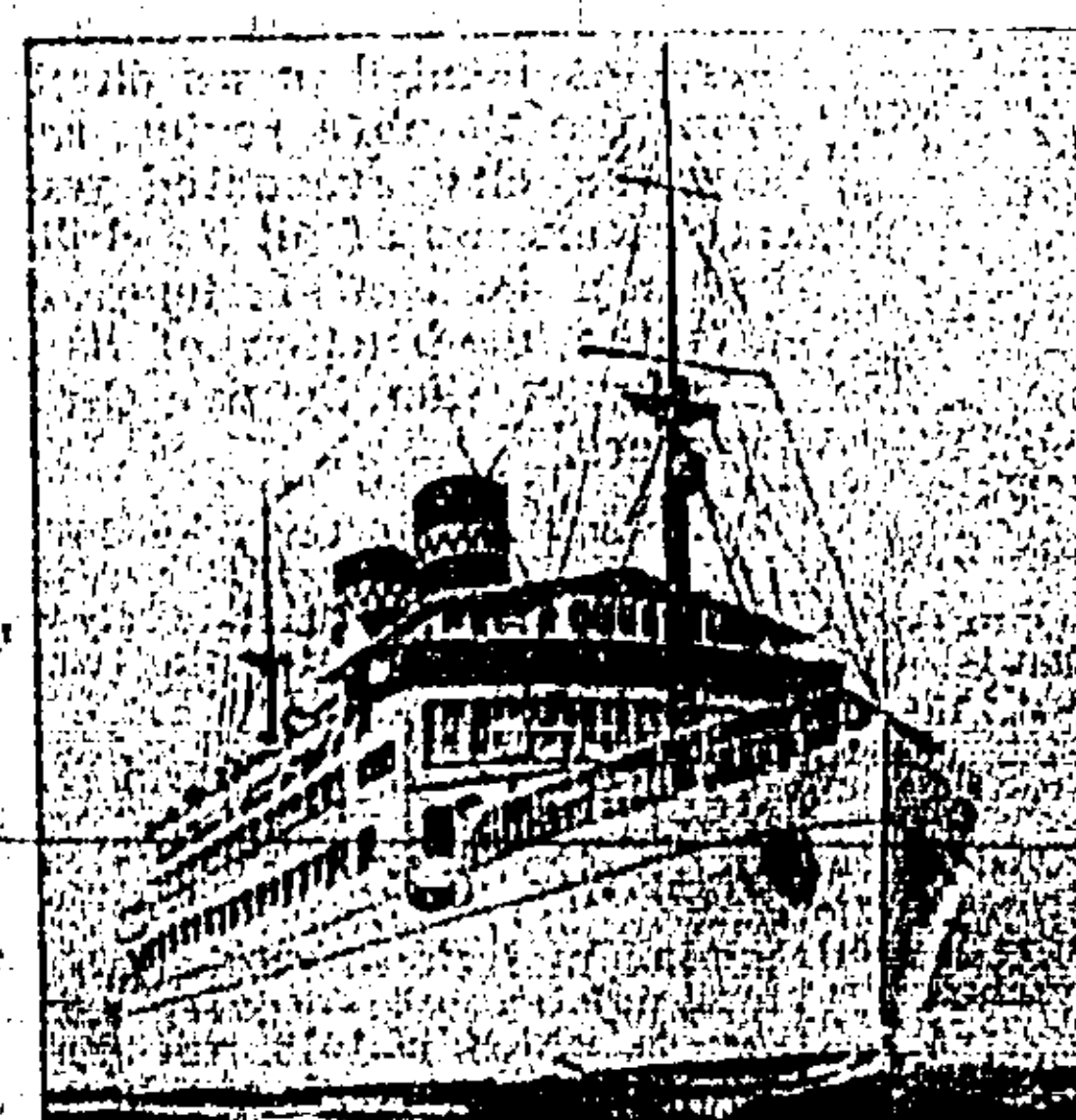
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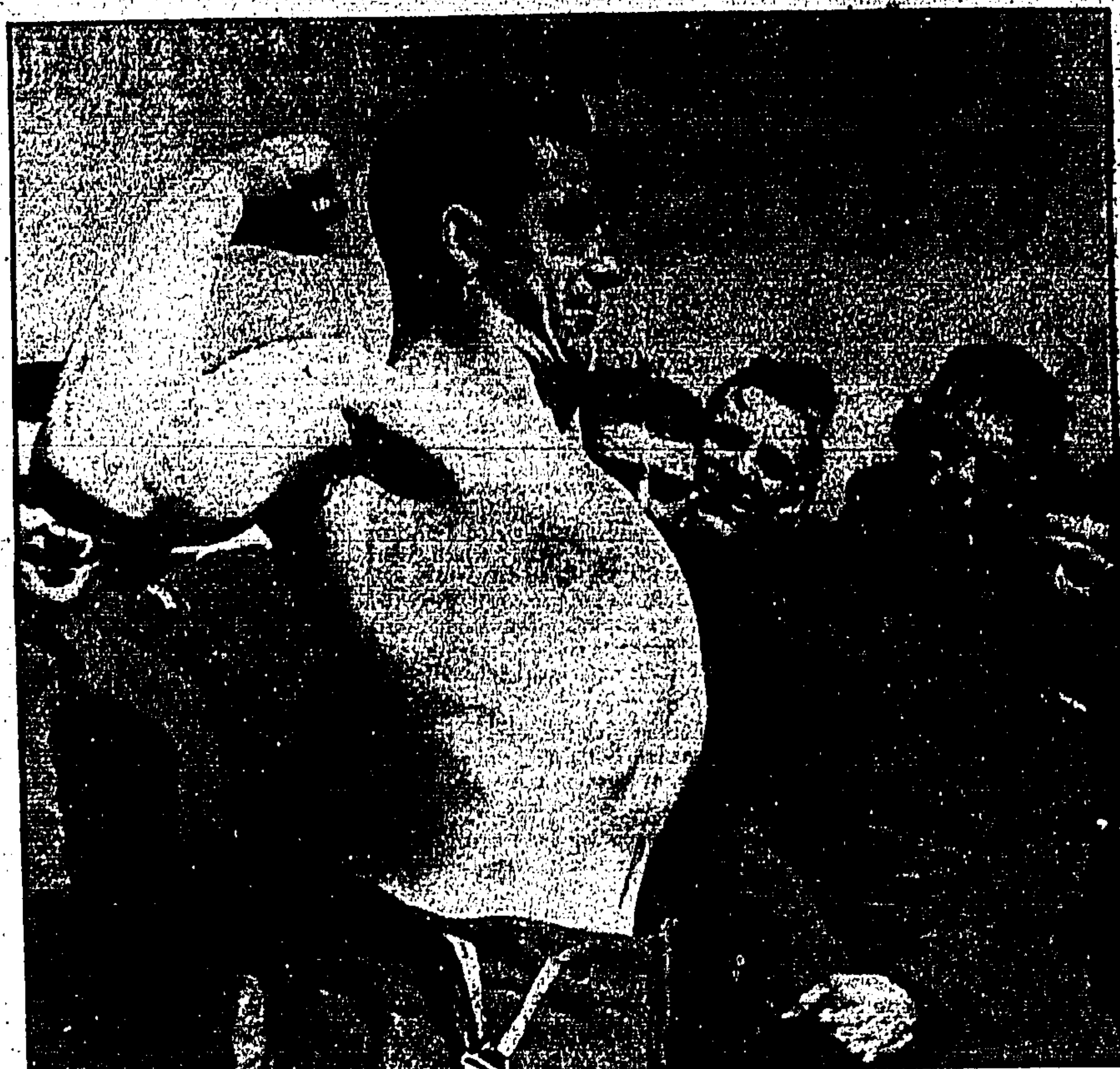
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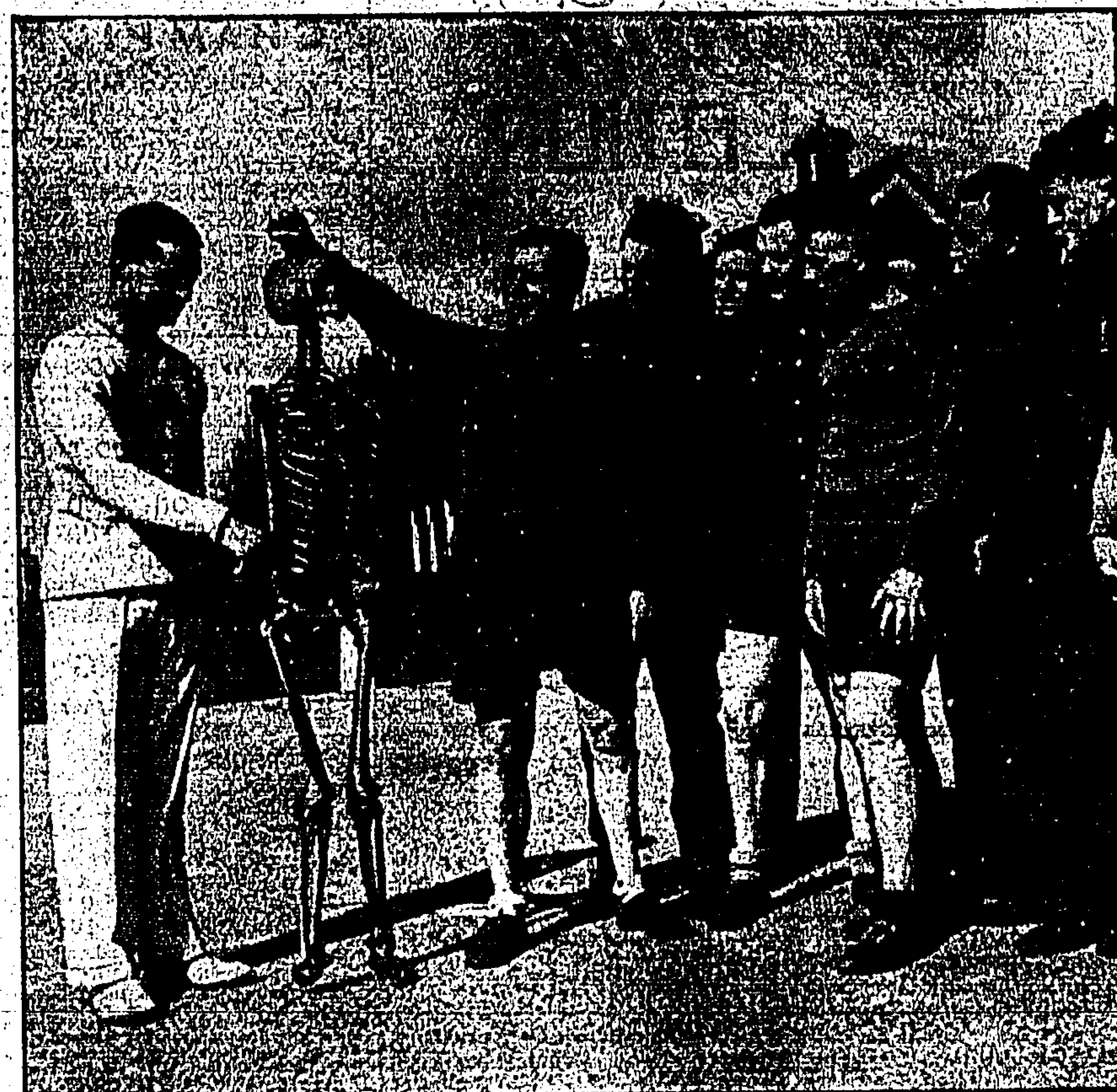
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THE Army has replaced its old P.T. courses with a more general training of mind and body, and a school for this purpose was opened at London Police College last November. Officers and N.C.O.s are trained in the principles of leadership, with a view to becoming instructor-leaders in their regiments.

Pictures were taken at the school yesterday, when it was visited by Lieut-General Sir B. N. Sergison-Brooke, G.O.C., London Area. Above and right are two methods of teaching facts about the human body. Below is a new game, Arch and Ball, which combines recreational with physical training.

ARMY LEARNS "PHYSICAL JERKS"—NEW STYLE



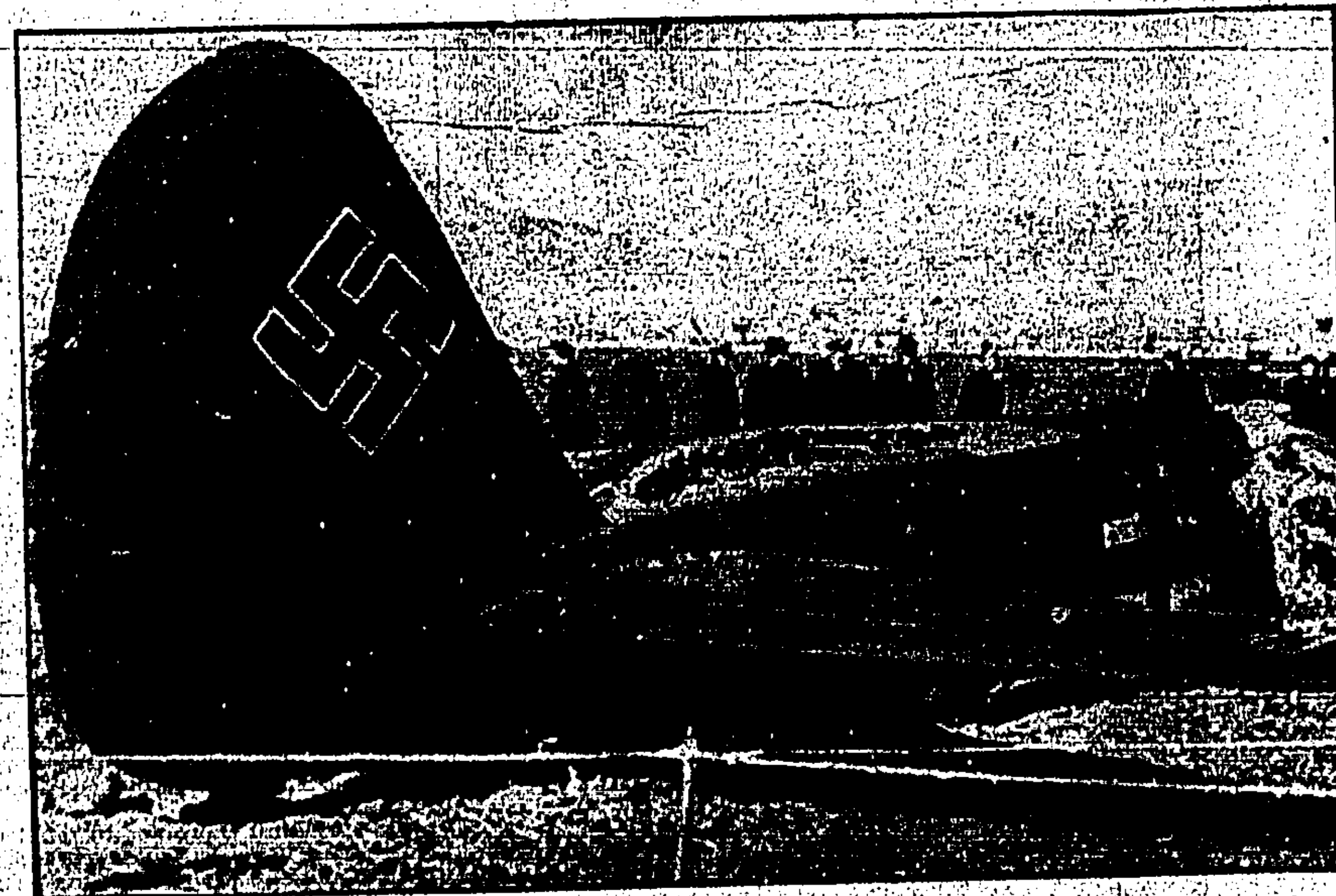
R.A.F. VICTIM

Put out of action by withering fire from R.A.F. fighter machines, this Heinkel bomber crashed on the North-East Coast recently. Picture just released by the Censor.

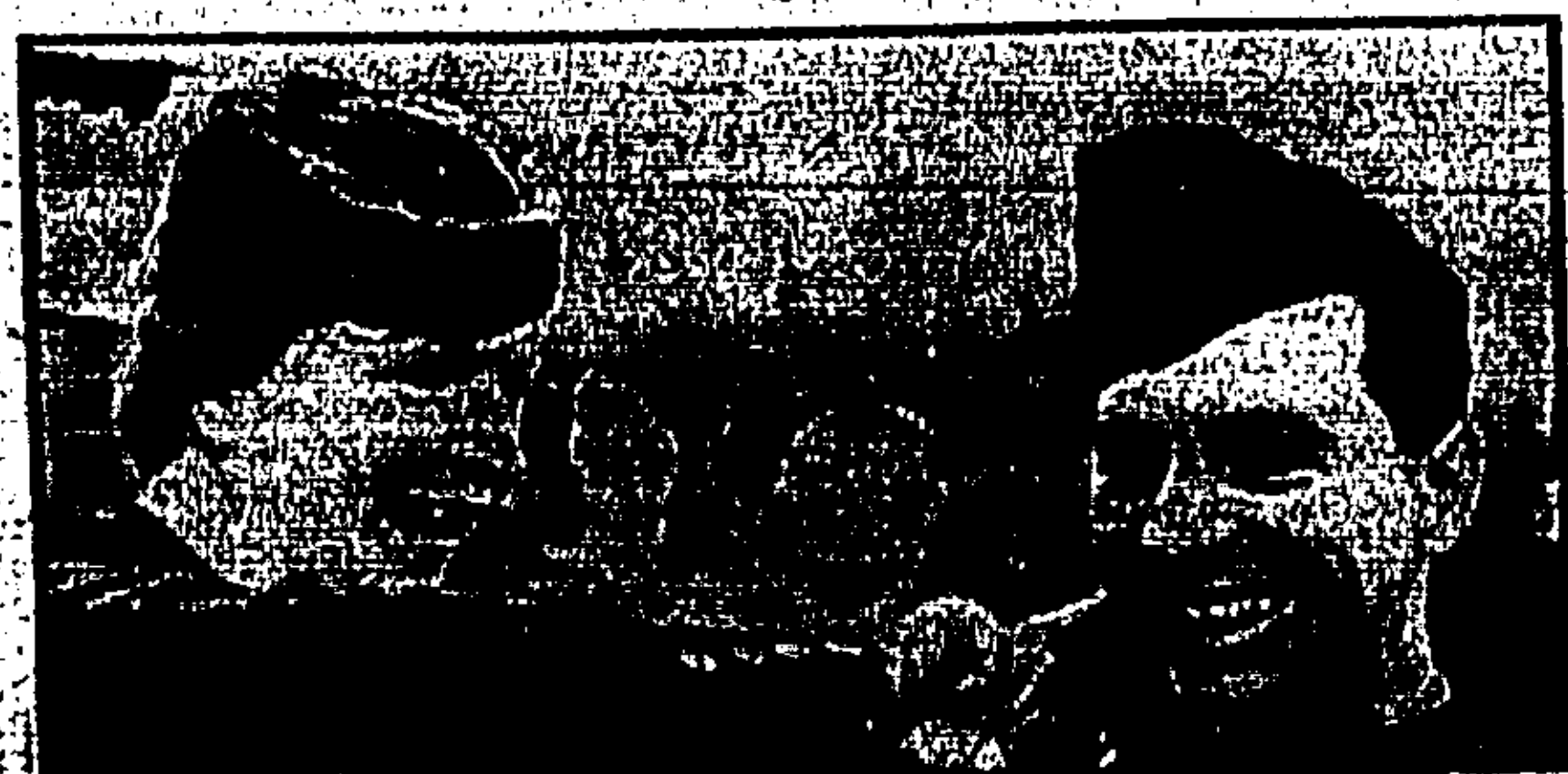


BOMBING OF SCAPA FLOW

WRECKAGE of the cottage near which the first victim, James Isbister, was killed during the Nazi air raid at Scapa. The lower picture shows the remains of the cottage from which Mrs. H. Macleod crawled after the bombers had passed.

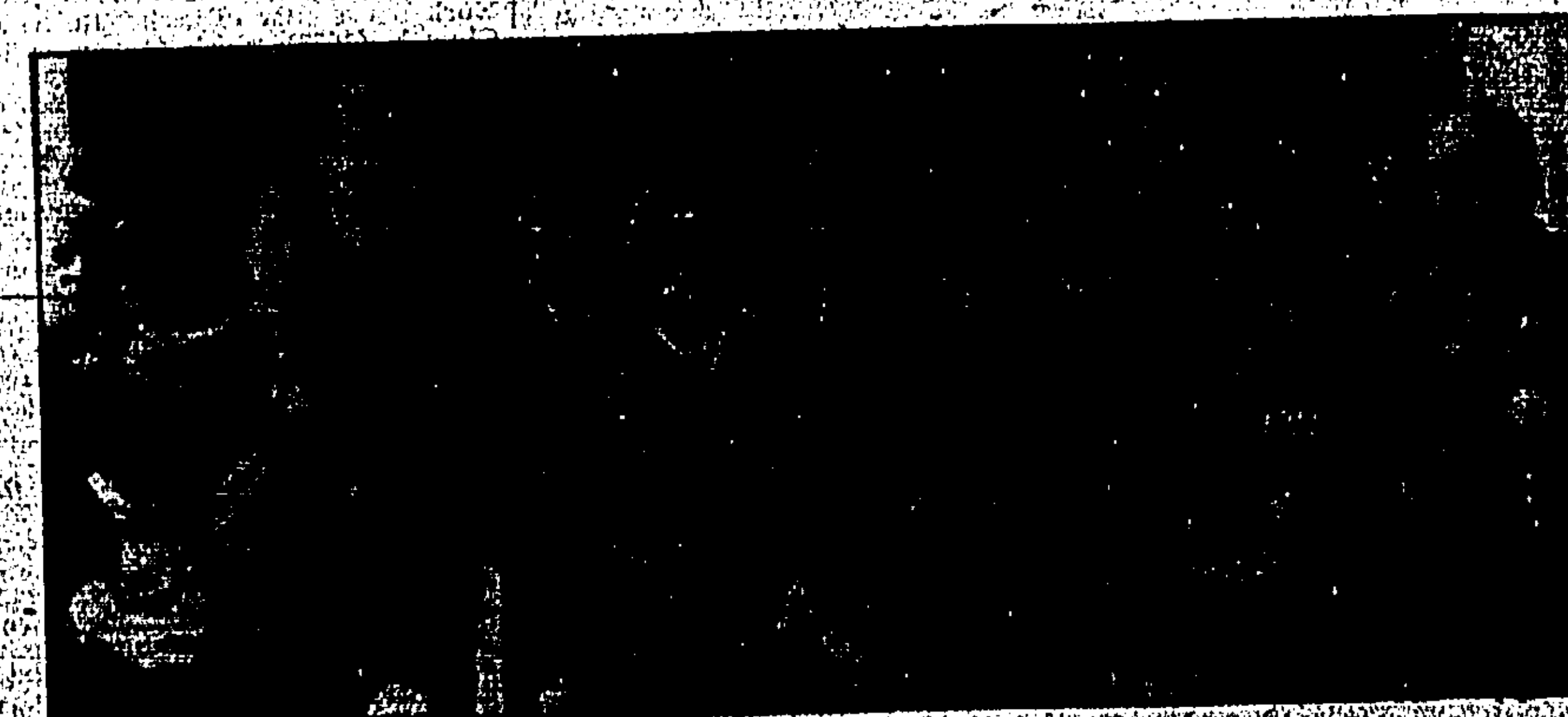


A Nazi Junkers 88 which crashed on the island of Læsland in Denmark. Bullet holes found in the Junkers proved that it had been in action and must have been on its return from Scapa.



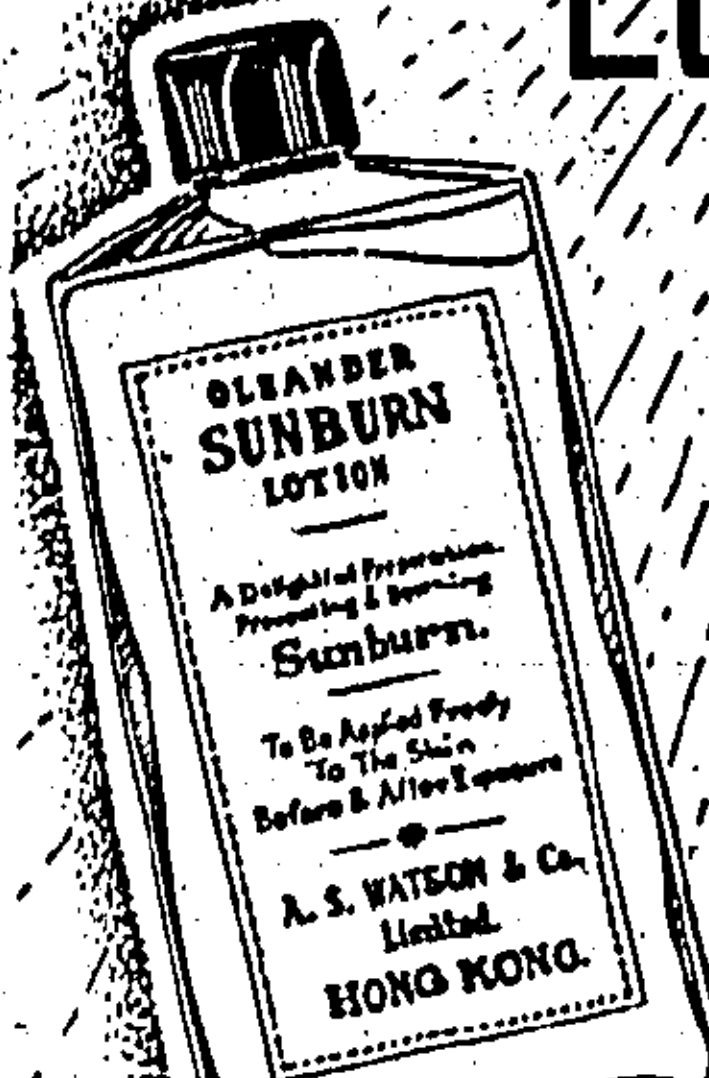
CHAMPAGNE FOR LUCK

London A.F.S. volunteers for six months fire-fighting service in Finland had their fire engine christened by Miss G. Gribenberg, wife of the Finnish Minister in London. She is seen with the car of Chief Officer T. Smith with champagne—a Finnish good luck custom.



Herz von Bibbentroy (second on left) with members of his suite at the Vatican when he had more than an hour's conversation with the Pope. He did not wear his usual uniform.

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U.S. And The Lowlands

GERMANY'S invasion of Holland and Belgium has brought the war home to Americans more surely than any other military development in Europe.

The reason is not that Holland has both West and East Indian possessions, although that fact would cause defence chiefs in Washington to put their heads together.

What touches the heart of the ordinary citizen is the constant reminder of Holland's contribution to the settlement and civilisation of the U.S.A.

The President bears a Dutch name. He is a descendant of Clues Martensen, who settled in America in 1650, and took the name Van Roosevelt after his native Dutch village.

One of the leading Republican aspirants for Roosevelt's place in the White House is Senator Vandenberg, of Michigan, who is also of Dutch descent.

Many of America's leading families bear Dutch names. The Vanderbilts, for example, and the society columns of the newspapers are peppered with such names as Stuyvesant, Van Wyck, Suydan, Voorhees, Schuyler, Hoyt and De Witt.

New York City was once a Dutch settlement. Its name was New Amsterdam. Every American school-child is taught how Henry Hudson, the English navigator, while employed by the Dutch East India Company, sailed into New York Harbour in the Half Moon in 1609 and explored the river that is named after him.

Peter Minuit, first director-general of the new province, bought the island of Manhattan from the Indians with cloth, beads and trinkets worth less than 24.

The figure of a later Governor of New Amsterdam—Peter Stuyvesant, who stumped about on a wooden leg—is as familiar to Americans as Dick Whittington is to Englishmen.

At the entrance to New York harbour is the island named Staten, separated from the New Jersey shore by a channel called the Kill van Kull. Cornelius Vanderbilt, founder of the Vanderbilt fortune, was born on Staten Island and began his successful career by running a ferryboat service between the island and Manhattan.

The mythical "patron saint" of New York is a benevolent old Dutchman named Father Knickerbocker. The Knickerbocker Club was founded in 1871 for the benefit of descendants of the old Dutch settlers.

The first church established in New York was the Dutch Reformed Church (1628), which is now called the Collegiate Church.

The Bowery, the famous street on the lower East Side of Manhattan, derives its name from a Dutch word meaning "farm." Near this is a Dutch thoroughfare is a church called St. Mark's-in-the-Bowery, which preserves the older spelling of the word.

There is a Holland Tunnel connecting Manhattan and New Jersey. Harlem, which was a fashionable residential district before the Negroes adopted it, is a contraction of Haarlem. The Harlem River is the northern boundary of Manhattan.

There is a small section of the city called Spuyten Duyvil. The Hamptons, Hamlet of New York is Van Cortlandt Park.

In New York State, New Jersey and Pennsylvania there are towns, counties, rivers and mountains with Dutch names: Catskill, Peekskill, Schuylkill, Krum Elbow, Rensselaer, Watervliet, and Schuylkill.

This Dutch influence is confined mainly to the New York area, but New York City is the nerve centre of the U.S.A.

I LUNCHEDED WITH GOERING

KARIN HALL, Field-Marshal Hermann Goering's famous hunting lodge in the Schofheide Forest some thirty miles from Berlin, was one of the spots visited by Mr. Sumner Welles in his recent fact-finding expedition to Germany.

In it, Goering had revived the feudal age, thrown in the baroque period, and topped off the whole with a dash of Renaissance—not the culture of those times, mind you, but Renaissance splendour, baroque gaudiness and feudal high living, in the midst of which the lord and master gorges himself, topos, and roars at innumerable lackeys, who rush to serve him. Goering is Falstaff the Second at Karin Hall, where the smallest beer mug holds slightly over a quart.

The ordinary ones hold a gallon or more, and a common means of proving manly strength among Goering's friends is to pick up a heavy stone mug filled with Pilsner, lift it to the lips with one hand, and take a mighty swig without spilling any. Goering, who has the strength of a bear, can do it easily, and he shouts derisively when his less virile Nazi friends fail to perform the feat.

Bernard Lansing, American journalist in war-time Germany, has been to Karin Hall, Goering's country mansion. Here is his first-hand description of a remarkable lunch-party in Germany's most luxurious and eccentric household.

I HAD heard tales of life at Karin Hall, a beautifully situated retreat right in the midst of Germany's largest wild-life preserve and given to Goering by the State of Prussia, but as an American journalist no better than tolerated in Germany I was surprised to receive an invitation to lunch there not long ago.

It came in a large vellum envelope which was delivered by messenger to my flat in war-scarred, gloomy Berlin. The message was inscribed in German on a six-by-nine-inch white card, with a gilt eagle perched upon a laurel wreath surrounding a swastika as a crest.

That Goering regarded it as a command which could not be refused became evident two days later when, although I had not got around to replying, a second envelope arrived, also delivered by messenger. It contained an identification card and information to the effect that a car would call for me on the morning of the appointed day to take me to Karin Hall.

The car, one of the large, black, open Mercedes favoured by Nazi officials, arrived on schedule. Two guards in black uniforms, one of whom doubled as chauffeur, sat in front.

I was bundled, with numerous lap robes, into the rear seat beside a Norwegian newspaperman who was being similarly honoured. He told me what I had already suspected—that this was to be a party for a number of diplomats and foreign correspondents.

The reason for the identification card became apparent when after about twenty minutes, we turned off the highway on to a side road and were immediately

stopped by two S.S. guards in black uniforms.

Some might think that riding in an official car escorted by two members of the Field-Marshal's own bodyguard would be sufficient identification, but not the Germans.

After saluting, one of the S.S. boys asked for our cards, which were taken to a small hut at the side of the road, where, through the open door, we could see both guards with their heads together studying our credentials and checking them against a typewritten list.

Then one of the guards returned and asked in English, "Have you a means of proving that you are the persons mentioned here?"

My companion and I gave him our passports and Press cards, and these were also taken to the hut, where the guards made notations from the passports. "We must be about there," I said to the chauffeur while we waited. "Oh, no," he replied. "We still have half an hour to go. We shall make two more stops."

Goering doesn't seem to trust his guests," remarked my companion as we produced our credentials for the third time and waited while one of the guards telephoned back to the two other stations and even to Berlin. "It's not Goering," our chauffeur said unexpectedly and with contempt. "He wouldn't care who came, but those others like to do it."

By "those others" we knew he meant Heinrich Himmler and his Gestapo. The tone of the chauffeur's voice made us curious, and we tried to get him to tell us what he meant, but he shrugged his shoulders and became silent at every reference to the "others."

Finally we were taken to the attic, where the floor of one enormous room was covered with a bus-relief reproduction of an Alpine setting laid out with the most complex miniature transportation system I have ever seen.

Here, said Goering with a smile, where he spent his time when it was too wet to go hunting. He pressed a number of buttons, which sent railway trains dashing out of sheds and along tracks while signal lights flashed and switches operated automatically.

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Passed by the final guard, we entered a stone gateway and turned up a drive into a large court flanked on three sides by a low, rambling building laid out in the manner of the North German Bauernhof, or farmhouse.

At the far end of the court was the lodge, made of stone, and in the adjoining wings on either side were the stables and storage rooms. Numerous horses' heads and antlers were mounted on the walls facing the court, protected from the weather by the overhanging roofs.

AS we came to a stop, attendants attired as German foresters—grey-green coat and breeches trimmed with dark green, black boots, a Robin Hood hat with brush, and a huntsman's dagger in an ornate scabbard—stepped up and opened the door of the car, greeted us with "Heil!" (but no "Hitler"), and pointed the way to the heavy double doors leading into the lodge, one of which was ajar.

We entered a vast room which ran the entire length of the house and in which among other luxurious furnishings, were beautiful Roman sarcophagi and several magnificent paintings by Lucas Cranach, whom Goering calls his favourite artist.

At the centre of the room, standing in a characteristic pose with his hand resting on a huge oak writing table, was Goering, talking to some guests who had already arrived.

He was dressed in clothes of astonishing originality—long olive-green buckskin boots reaching well above his knees, beige-coloured buckskin breeches, a white silk shirt with an unusually large collar, and his sleeves but also down the front wide, flowing sleeves which tapered of his jacket.

to the wrist, and a dark-green sleeveless gilet—leather jacket adorned with buttons made from deer's teeth mounted in silver.

At the moment we came in he was proudly calling attention to these buttons, saying that he had shot the deer himself.

Around his neck was a red tartan cravat, which was kept in place by a great gold pin, and a gold hunting knife in a gold sheath inlaid with jewels hung from his belt, which had still more gold on it and resembled in many ways the less costly belts of American cowboys.

On the left side of his broad chest he wore the badge of the German Hunting Association, a stag with a swastika resting between its antlers. The stag, too, was gold and the swastika was set with emeralds and diamonds.

There were four big rings on his stubby but carefully manicured fingers: the largest, a platinum one set with a ruby and an emerald, was so wide that he could scarcely bend now the finger at the second joint.

WE went over to Goering and introduced ourselves. He shook our hands vigorously and asked in German: "Did you have a nice trip out?" I said the trip was lovely but I had been uneasy about the guards who challenged us all along the way. "Oh," Goering said with a loud laugh, "you will become used to that in this country. Germans like to have lots of officials to bother them."

Presently a servant opened a pair of doors in the rear of the hall and nodded to Goering. "Who has the best appetite?" the master asked, and

then started towards the dining room, leading the way for the rest of us, eighteen or twenty in all.

We passed several rooms, which I noticed were furnished in sharply contrasting styles. One of them, with Byzantine decorations, had a fountain in the centre of its floor, another had been made to look like an old Viking hall with heavy oaken beams and walls hung with ancient Norse shields and other implements of war.

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The effect of cropped German heads and thick necks bulging out of such delicate finery was a peculiar one.

The luncheon consisted of asparagus soup, trout, saddle of venison, and dessert. In front of each guest stood four beautiful crystal wineglasses representing different periods of French and German glass-making, and they were filled in sequence as the meal progressed with two French and two German wines of truly impressive vintage.

Goering had the best appetite of any at the table.

He piled food on his plate time and again, and it seemed to me that his wineglass was constantly being refilled.

Once, when his lackey started to remove a half-empty glass at the end of a course, Goering snatched it and yelled "Hinaus!" ("Get out of here!"), laughing violently when some of his guests looked up from their food in surprise.

He had difficulty in keeping the flowing sleeves of his silk shirt out of his plate while eating, and I half expected him to roll them above his elbows.

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Coffee and liqueurs were served in the Viking hall. Goering talked steadily and mopped his forehead from time to time. Eating had turned his complexion from pink to florid red, and he belched loudly so wide that he could scarcely bend now the finger at the second joint.

On an old Norse pedestal and column at one end of the room, with a spotlight focussed on it, was a bust of his first wife, Karin Goering, who died several years ago and for whom the Hall was named. I don't suppose the bust was made entirely of gold—we could not tell—but if it wasn't it was at least gold-plated.

Goering, noticing some of us looking towards the pedestal, pressed a button in the arm of his easy chair, and the bust began to revolve slowly. He kept it moving and sat there staring at it for several minutes.

When no one would accept more of the excellent coffee or cognac, both extreme rarities in war-time Germany, Goering asked if we would like to inspect the rest of the lodge.

We passed through a number of elaborately furnished rooms and then entered his gymnasium, which was equipped with quantities of apparatus for reducing and keeping fit. A life range and bowling alley adjoined this room.

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SENTENCES ON TWO WOMEN

Wong Tai, a 48-year-old woman, who pleaded guilty to a charge of unlawful transfer of possession, custody or control of another person for a valuable consideration before Mr. H. G. Sheldon at the Central Magistracy yesterday, was today sentenced to four months' hard labour.

Another woman, Po See, 48, who was today charged with being a prostitute, was sentenced to three months' hard labour. Mr. G. W. Motson, of the Secretariat for Chinese Affairs, prosecuted.

An odd job worker employed in a military barracks entrusted his son to Wong's care for 80 cents a day, and she sold the boy for \$100 to a

AISNE AND OISE CLEARED: WEDGE AT LE CATEAU THREATENS NAZI FLANKS

By MILES HANDLER
(UNITED PRESS STAFF CORRESPONDENT)

PARIS, MAY 21 (UP).—THE GERMANS ARE FALLING BACK RAPIDLY IN THE SOUTH SECTOR AND THE DRIVE ON PARIS, WHICH AT ONE STAGE BROUGHT THE INVADERS TO WITHIN 75 MILES OF THE CAPITAL, HAS APPARENTLY BEEN ABANDONED.

This is the chief news from Franco to-night. It has been summarised in the dry, official communiqués by four words issued over the signature of General Weygand, the new Commander-in-Chief of the Allied Armies.

The communiqué stated simply: "The situation has improved." What this improvement in the situation means to Hitler's hopes of a Blitzkrieg conquest of France may be indicated by events during the past twelve hours in the Rethel sector.

The Germans have been everywhere thrown back across the Aisne River, both banks of which are now held by the French forces.

Rethel is again in Allied hands.

On the German left flank, the French have launched a Blitzkrieg of their own.

GERMAN HOPES CRUSHED

All hopes of German successes in the Montmedy and Longwy sectors near the Luxembourg frontier, where the invaders attempted to flank the true Maginot Line, have been crushed with an overwhelming defeat which has been swiftly followed by such heavy French pressure that the entire German left wing is now compromised.

This defeat not only removes any danger of the Germans getting behind the Maginot Line fortifications but prevents the invaders from using the excellent roads and railways of Luxembourg to bring up their supplies.

SUMMARY OF SITUATION

The situation in the eastern sector, where the Germans are attempting to break through to the Channel ports, may be summarised as follows:

Allied resistance has increased to such an extent that the German mechanised units were able to advance only two or three miles in yesterday's fighting. This is reminiscent of trench fighting in the last war, where every yard gained took a terrific toll in men and materials.

St. Quentin has apparently reverted to the Allies, but one of the German tank units which succeeded in breaching through during the week-end appears to have approached Peronne, which is only 60 miles from the Channel and which is now the scene of some fighting. (Peronne is on the north bank of the Somme).

Further north, the Allied forces have seriously compromised the German drive on the Channel by driving a deep wedge in the German lines between Landrecies and Guise.

Le Cateau is in Allied hands and the Germans have been pushed back ten miles from the river Oise.

If the Allied can succeed in effecting a juncture with the forces operating further southwards, the entire German operation will be cut off and surround.

Situation Much Improved
A late French communiqué, issued at midnight (7 a.m. H.K.T.) reports that the situation at Montmedy (on the right flank of the Maginot Line) is much improved. All German attacks have been repulsed and the Allies are driving into the German left flank. Tons of high explosive are being poured on to the German tank columns. The definite improvement in the situation from the Allied point of view is further indicated by to-night's German High Command communiqué, which warns that the German "must take into account now the possibility of a heavy French attack against the southern and northern flanks."

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BRITISH, BELGIAN LINES INTACT

Skilful Manoeuvre Nonplusses Nazis

LONDON, May 20 (Reuter).—The task of the British and Belgian troops has been to carry out a strategic withdrawal to meet any German attempt to take them in the rear from the spear-head in the south.

This withdrawal has been carried out with skill by both the Allied forces.

The British have got back without having to abandon any material.

At no time did the Germans make a dent in their positions. It is true that the British have not had to face the terrific mass attacks which the French have encountered further south.

Fighting All The Time
However it would be wrong to imagine that they have not had to fight. They have been fighting all the time and have had to stand up to intense bombing.

Our losses are not on a large scale and it is believed that, with reasonable precautions, they need not expect heavy losses due to such bombings.

Every time the Germans have attacked they have suffered losses.

Magnificent Belgians
The Belgian troops, too, have been fighting magnificently. There are no breaks in their lines. Liege and Namur are still holding out.

These two forts are of considerable importance because they command the main railway to the present German front.

The Germans depend largely on these railways for their supplies.

According To Plan
LONDON, May 20 (UP).—The British and Belgian forces are continuing to retire to their new lines according to plan.

Liege and Namur fortresses are still resisting the German attempts to force their capitulation.

The official German report of the operations in Belgium yesterday admitted that the resistance by the Belgians had been "valiant."

It is becoming more and more apparent that the Allied "shock" troops now being brought up are stemming the German onslaught.

Confident in its striking force, the German Army is pushing forward, but it is held up on the flanks, while in the centre every inch of ground is being disputed.

The position at Peronne is no clearer. It is not known whether the town has been fully occupied by German troops or whether only a slight advance guard has reached it.

Maginot Line Attack Repulsed
Heavy German pressure is also being brought against the fortified region of Montmedy. This salient, which controls the passage of the Meuse east of Sedan, hampers German movements considerably.

A new attack against the Maginot Line at this point was repulsed, as were those launched in the same regions yesterday, with very heavy losses to the enemy.

Along the rest of the line to the Swiss frontier, there is nothing to report.

French Counter-Attack
PARIS, May 21 (UP).—A large-scale French counter-attack has been launched on the German lines north of Laon.

Laon was re-occupied by the French forces yesterday.

**STOCK EXCHANGE
PRICES DOWN**

LONDON, May 20 (Reuter).—On the Stock Exchange to-day, prices were mostly marked down as a precautionary measure in view of the existing international situation, but no selling pressure was seen.

Japanese bonds advanced by one or two points on the possibility of an improvement in Far Eastern relations.

Wall Street was firm.

**Four of Twelve
Acquitted**

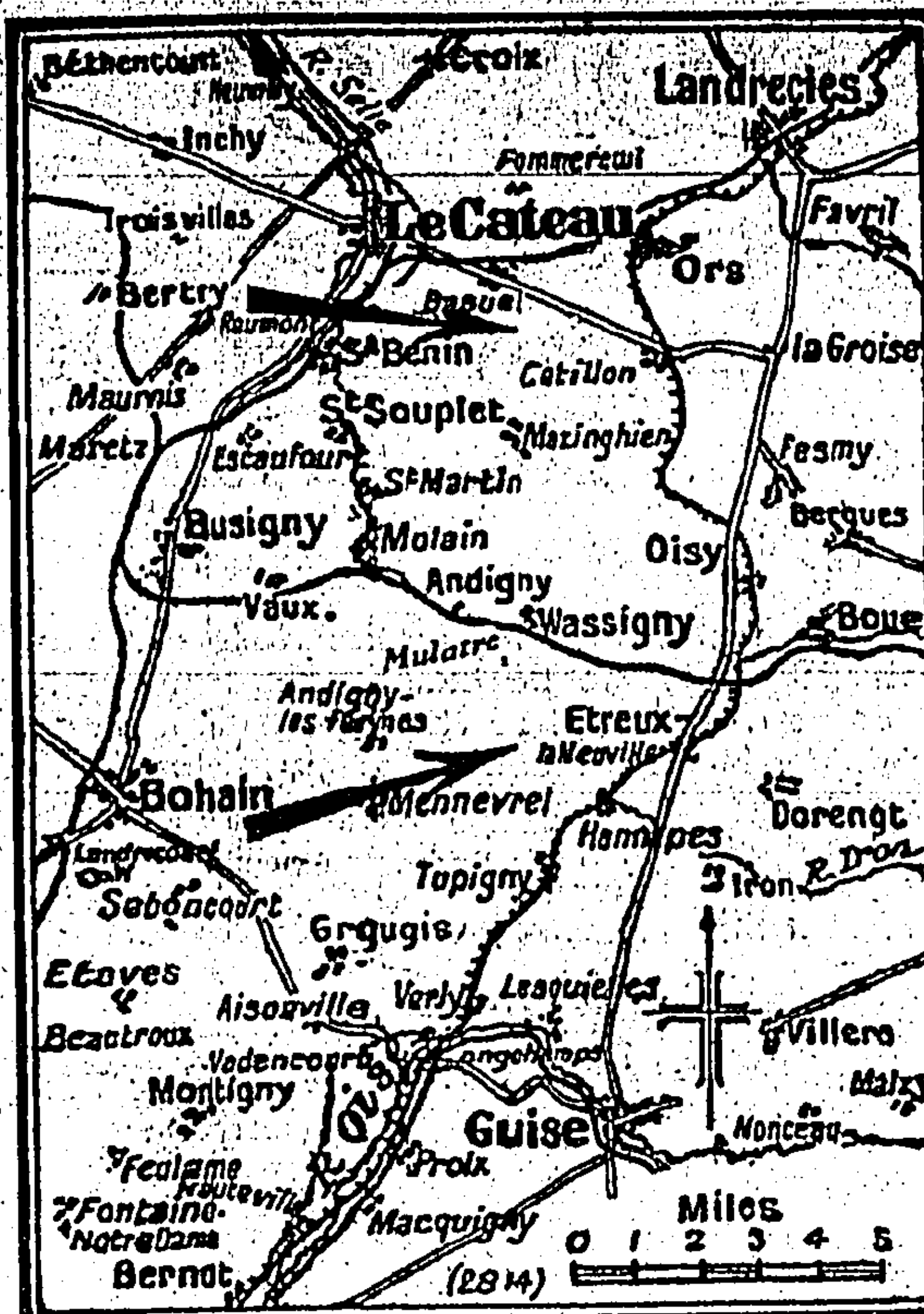
**Robbery Trial At
Sessions Ends**

Four of the twelve men who were charged with a robbery in British waters were discharged by Mr. E. H. Williams, acting Police Judge, at the Criminal Sessions this morning at the conclusion of the case. The other eight men were sentenced to three years' hard labour.

The men who were convicted were Teo Yau, Lam Yan, Tsol Ho, Lam On, Chan Kun-ke, Tsang Hop, Leung Kum, and Lam Chan. They were charged with having stopped a trading junk belonging to Lum Cheong-shui in British waters on March 14, when the crew were forced to transfer the cargo to the 'robbers' boats. The occupants of the junk were also searched, and a quantity of their personal belongings taken.

Two Give Evidence
Evidence was given from the box by Chan Kun-ke and Wong Cheung-ki (who was discharged) this morning, while the remaining ten elected to make statements from the dock. In his summing up to the jury, Mr. Williams said the evidence by the prosecution showed that eight of the defendants had all been identified at one time or other. Three of the men had not been identified, while one defendant was not identified at the identification parade, but subsequently picked out by a witness in Court.

The prosecution was conducted by Mr. J. Reynolds, Crown Counsel, assisted by Inspector R. Cunningham. The jury was Messrs. C. E. Terry (Foreman), Doi Fook-sang, H. W. Randall, Ching Sik-wing, Joseph Tam Hing, Lo Chong-ang and Chan Ge-kiang.



The arrows indicate the line of the French counter-attack in the Oise River sector.

EARLIER REPORTS

SEVERE THRUSTS ON ALL FRONTS

PARIS, May 20 (Reuter).—A War Ministry spokesman stated that the battle is raging with maximum intensity east of Cambrai and Landrecies and that fighting continued all day.

He stated that the enemy did not appear to have made any considerable progress.

Between Landrecies and Lafer on the west side of the Sambre-Oise Canal, German armoured units continued to push west-north-west.

The situation remains confused with a vast intermingling of British, French and German tanks, but it can be said that on the whole the Germans continue to push forward.

The situation in this part of the front is described as "serious."

Two Nazi Raids Fail

In the Rethel region, two German efforts to effect a surprise crossing of the Aisne were completely repulsed, only small detachments crossing and they were captured during the night.

Big infantry and heavy artillery fire against the bridgehead at Montmedy was repulsed with great enemy losses.

The only German success is the capture of a small blockhouse on one of the most advanced positions before the Maginot Line.

Summing up the spokesman said: "It can be said that all actions carried out by the enemy failed despite powerful artillery support and successful infantry attacks."

"From Montmedy to the Rhine and along the Rhine there is nothing to report, while in northern Belgium the Allies continue strategic movements without serious enemy interference."

Thrust Still Strong

PARIS, May 20 (Reuter).—To-night's official communiqué states that the German thrust is still very strong in the region north and west of St. Quentin.

New enemy attacks have been repulsed in the Montmedy region.

There is nothing of importance on the rest of the front.

There was no activity of our aviation in the course of the day. Numerous reconnaissances prepared an engagement of bombing formations on armoured enemy units.

Heavy bombing was carried out on the columns, retarding their progress and inflicting losses on them.

Only 8 Weeks' Training

LONDON, May 20 (Reuter).—"In our infantry column at the Western Front there are soldiers there who have undergone a training of only eight weeks," declared a spokesman of the German High Command in a broadcast to-day.

"But," he added, "they have set their teeth and have managed to do their duty nevertheless."

Rome Stories

ROME, May 20 (Reuter).—Afternoon papers to-day display stories of alleged German victories under huge headlines.

The "Piccolo" states that the Germans are continuing "their triumphal march" towards the Channel Coast, whence they will be able to deliver a serious threat to Britain.

Threat To Cambrai

PARIS, May 20 (Reuter).—Up to a late hour to-day the military situation had undergone no important changes since Sunday.

A French military spokesman indicated that the Germans had made no further progress except possibly north-west of the bulge. The threat there seems to be aimed at Cambrai.

This is perhaps the crucial sector for it is thought that the Germans are hoping by this push to cut off nothing to report.

COOK-BOY'S THEFTS

After being employed by Mrs. Blackmore of 94 Waterloo Road for 12 years at a salary of \$25 a month, So Nam, 40, cook boy, was caught stealing, and arrested. This morning he appeared before Mr. E. Himsforth at the Kowloon Magistracy charged with theft and was fined \$10 or three weeks' hard labour.

Det-Sergeant Morrison said that at 5 p.m., yesterday, Mrs. Blackmore had occasion to go into the cook house and on removing a number of bricks she found underneath some whisky, gin and vinegar. Mrs. Blackmore had in the past two or three months secured a number of articles as missing.

The Allied troops in Belgium and northern France.

A French spokesman said to-day that both the British and French tanks were in action in this sector.

Confused Situation

On the whole, the situation west of the Sambre and Oise Canal is very confused.

Tanks on both sides are intermingled in the combat.

Both the Germans and the Allies are making local advances and retirement.

The Germans are now using motor cycle columns in a way in which they have not been employed before. These are sent forward during the day and often withdrawn at night.

Four or five armoured divisions are believed to be employed in this particular sector alone.

They have suffered considerable losses and must be feeling the strain. On the whole, however, they are still pushing forward.

Premature Claim

On Sunday, the Germans claimed that they had taken St. Quentin. This seems to have been a premature claim. To-day, they claimed to be beyond St. Quentin and pushing towards Peronne.

French sources, however, say that there was heavy fighting east of Cambrai. There is no clear cut front here.

However the Germans are counter-attacking everywhere.

German attacks on the Aisne River at Montmedy show that they are still trying to widen the bulge southwards and break its southern shoulder.

Surprise Raids Fail

Attempts to cross the Aisne River have only been local surprise attacks and only one or two units have got across.

On Sunday these were rounded up during the night by the French.

It is indicated in Paris that although in this sector the fighting is comparatively speaking small yet it would be important if the enemy established points south of the river.

At Montmedy the Germans are battering away at a northern out-post of the Maginot Line and particularly at Montmedy bridge-head where strong infantry attacks are supported by heavy artillery fire.

All the attacks have been repulsed with heavy losses. The Germans have only taken one small block house and one of the most advanced positions in front of the line. South of Montmedy there is still nothing to report.

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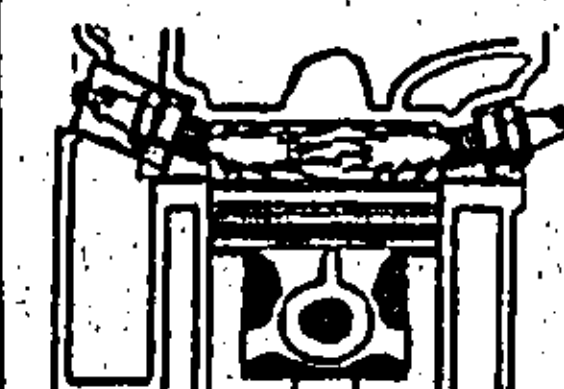
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RECONSTRUCTION OF TENNIS

Reviving Suggestions Three Years Ago For The Improvement Of The Game In The Colony

(By "Tinker")

THREE YEARS AGO—at the Annual Meeting of the Hongkong Lawn Tennis Association on April 29, 1937, to be exact—His Honour Mr. Justice R. E. Lindsell, then, as now, President of the Association, made a few brief comments on the deplorably low standard of the Colony's tennis. Pertinent suggestions regarding the conduct of the Championships and the League were put forward by Mr. A. V. Gosano, and though the objections were then pointed out, the scheme was unofficially voted as sound, and it was understood that the suggestions would be considered.

But three tennis championships have since been played. There have been the same faces each year and the same standards of play and though there were different results in the singles and doubles this year from what were anticipated, these were not so much through improvements as through the dropping off of the Tsui brothers.

The Rumjahn cousins are to be heartily congratulated in providing the upsets. They, at least, are players of a definite standard, and for the past fifteen years have been a constant threat for the doubles and singles titles. But they are past their hey-day—this was recognised in 1935 when the Tsui brothers ended their 11 years' reign as doubles champions—and though it speaks volumes for them that they were able to recapture the title this year, it, perhaps, is a more concrete criticism of the other players who were defeated.

The tennis throughout this last tournament, generally speaking, was dismal. There was little, except for the results, that engendered excitement, and the finals were no exception. Is it not, then, time that some measures—any measures—were adopted to reconstruct, and perhaps, revitalize, Hongkong's tennis?

It is for this reason that I have mentioned the extremely sensible suggestions put forward by Mr. Gosano three years ago. These in brief were:

For the annual tournaments: All matches should be the best of five sets; The date of the tournament should be changed to the end of summer (i.e. the end of the tennis season) rather than at the beginning.

For the League:

The pairs should be graded into 1st, 2nd and 3rd pairs, and the corresponding numbers of each team meet in a three set match—as is now, each pair plays the other.

THE first suggestion for the tournament and the suggestion for the League are based on the same ideal—that of eliminating cautious play and the accompanying pat-ball tactics, one of the most destructive features of the game. He argued that in the League, where one set only decides a tie, it is hardly likely that players are going to take the risks of losing a game through indulgence in a hard-hitting and freer type of play. Yet it is only through these latter methods that players of the better type are to arise.

Take, for instance, the drive. How many players are there in Hongkong who strive to gain that fraction of a second in speed by taking the ball on the rise? Tournament and League tennis teaches them that it is safer and easier to wait until the ball has reached the peak of its bounce before hitting it. How much does overhead work suffer when a slight miscalculation in hitting hard may mean the loss of a point, which is made infinitely more important by the calculation that in the League four points may be a game, and six games a match?

THE tournament suggestion is, as I have said, based on the

Home Racing To Carry On

LONDON, May 14 (Reuter).—The Jockey Club and the National Hunt Committee announce that racing will be resumed at Manchester and Lanark on May 18. All racing fixtures were cancelled when Germany invaded Belgium and Holland.

Regional Football Matches

LONDON, May 20 (Reuter).—The following were the results of football matches played in the English Regional Leagues to-day:

MIDLAND

Birmingham 0 Leicester 0

Bradford 2 Hartlepool 0

League Rugger

LONDON, May 20 (Reuter).—Hunslet beat Bramley 32-13 in the Rugby League to-day.

same consideration as that for the League. The losing of the first set in a three-set match is far more serious than a similar loss in a five-set match.

First of the objections was that the Hongkong Cricket Club ground would be required for cricket at the end of the tennis season, and the second was that there was not the time in an evening to play a five set match.

Countering the first of these objections was the suggestion that the preliminary rounds be played on neutral courts, for there are several Clubs in the Colony who would lend their courts for the tournament. Not only that, the tennis tournament matches are played during the week-end and the week-ends, in any case, the tournament could be pushed through in a month, for on neutral courts there would be a greater number available, and a greater number of matches could be played each day—Club courts, I think, are limited to eight, and not all are used for the Open Tournament.

At that time, the problem it is pointed out that evenings at the end of summer are much longer than those of February and March, and five-set matches, therefore, are more feasible.

THE most disappointing feature of this year's Open Tournament was the failure of the Tsui brothers. The Colony has, in these two young men, players of note, but, unless they continually play against each other, where is the opposition necessary for them, or anyone, to maintain that standard?

Consider the Singles final. When the super-defensive play of Sirdar Rumjahn proved too much for him, Tsui Wal-pui reverted to similar tactics, and it brought forth caustic remarks. When Tsui met Tsui in the semi-finals, there were some sparkling rallies, and some of the best tennis of the tournament was seen.

There was yet another aspect of the final. Tsui Wal-pui was generally acknowledged as the finest singles player here, and consequently one looked to him to produce shots equal to the expectations. When he didn't, as he often couldn't, there were glum faces.

Tsui, I would say without hesitation, is a distinct relapse from the young player who returned from Europe, and I will also say that unless there is some definite improvement in the general standard of tennis here, that younger player with new prospects, at all in the game, will never rise above that relapsed standard.

Boston Trounce Cincinnati

NEW YORK, May 20 (UP).—Cincinnati Reds, leaders in the National Baseball League were severely trounced by the Boston Braves to-day by 13-4. The complete scores were:

	R	H	E
Cincinnati	4	11	1
Boston	13	13	1
St. Louis	0	6	0
New York	6	9	1
(Melton pitched for the Giants)			
Chicago	6	13	0
Brooklyn	4	8	2
Pittsburgh	7	10	1
Philadelphia	8	14	0

	R	H	E
Washington	4	9	2
Chicago	5	11	1
Philadelphia	8	10	0
St. Louis	4	9	0
New York	2	3	1
Cleveland	10	17	0
Boston	7	12	0
Detroit	10	12	0

Y.M.C.A. Team To Swim Against Australians

THE FOLLOWING will represent the European Y.M.C.A. against the Australian Naval Reservists on Thursday night in a series of swimming events and at water polo: 50 yds. free style—F. A. Weller and R. Schuler. 100 yds. free style—Jordan, L. A. Benn or G. Arnold. 100 yds. back-stroke—B. S. Wilson and A. T. May. 50 yds. breast-stroke—L. H. Chater and R. Goldman. 300 yds. free-style relay (25-50-75-75-50-25)—P. B. Wilson, F. A. Weller, B. S. Wilson, A. T. May, L. A. Benn and R. Goldman or G. Arnold. 150 yds. medley relay—B. S. Wilson (back-stroke), R. Goldman (breast-stroke) and G. May (free-style); L. A. Benn (back-stroke); L. H. Chater (breast-stroke) and F. A. Weller (free-style).

Referees' Meeting

The monthly meeting of the Hongkong Football Referees' Association will be held at the Hotel Cecil on Tuesday, May 21 (to-day) at 8 p.m. As this is the last meeting of the present season, it is hoped that all referees will attend.

SPORTS ADVTS.

THE HONG KONG JOCKEY CLUB

THE SIXTH EXTRA RACE MEETING will be held (weather permitting) at HAPPY VALLEY ON SATURDAY, 25th May, 1940, commencing at 2.00 p.m. The First Bell will be rung at 1.30 p.m.

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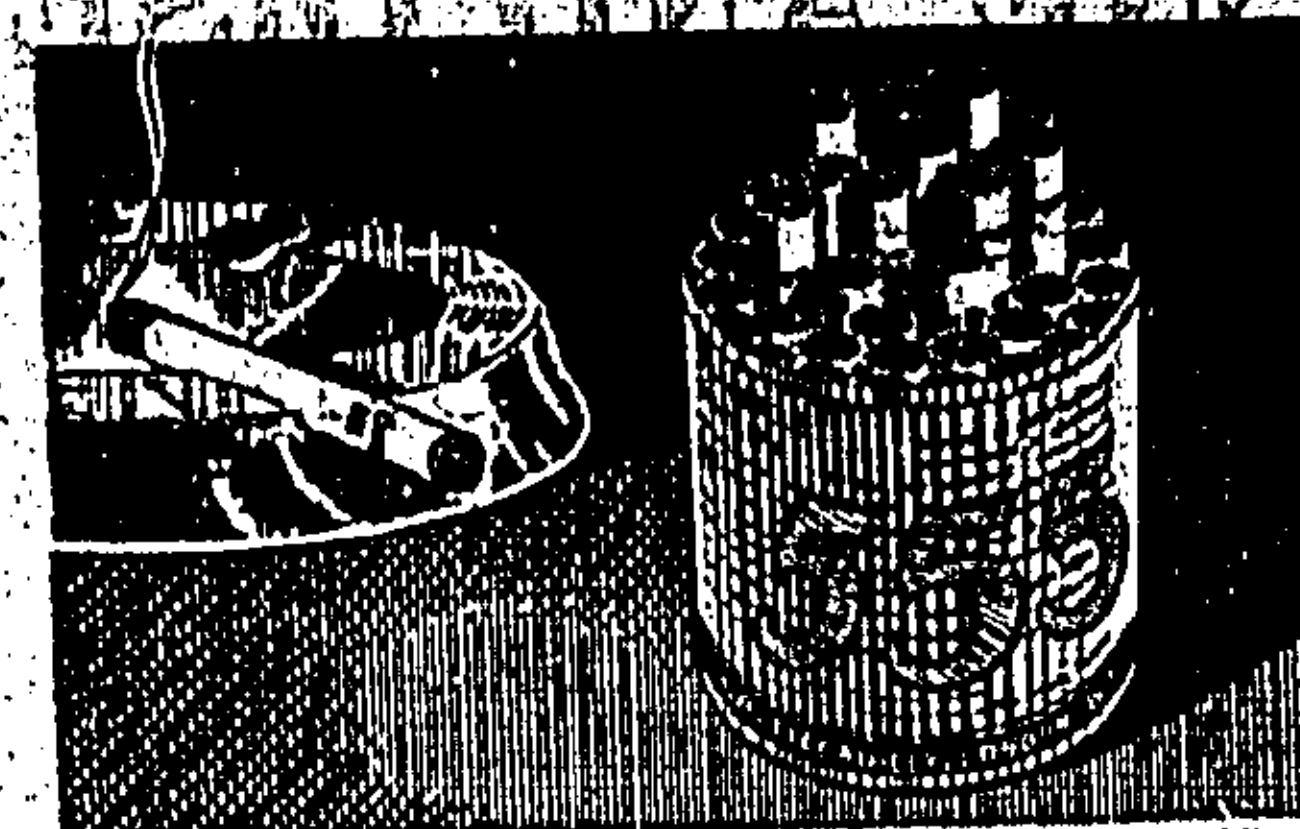
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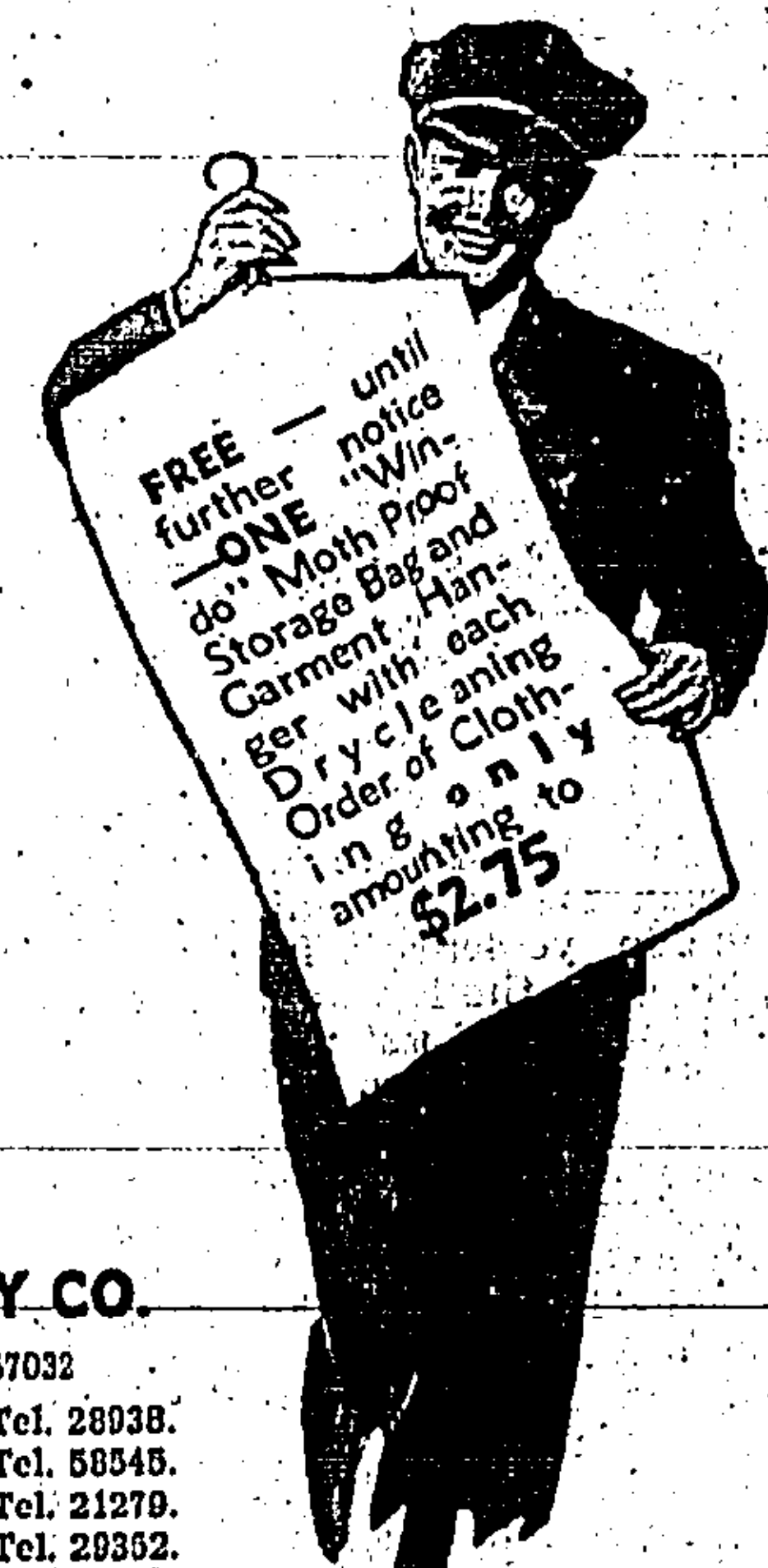
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Continuous Raids On Nazi Supply Dumps

STIRRING FEATS BY THE R.A.F.

LONDON, May 20 (Reuter).—The Air Ministry announces that the bomber aircraft of the R.A.F. maintained pressure on the enemy lines of communication last night.

Oil refineries in north-west Germany have also been successfully attacked.

South of Brussels, operations have been carried out against railway stations and bridges.

The railway bridge at Boux sustained a direct hit. Damage was done to rolling stock and the permanent way. Troops and tank concentrations were attacked in the Alsace sector.

Near Sedan a lorry park was set on fire.

From all these operations, involving a large number of R.A.F. bombers, only two failed to return despite intense enemy anti-aircraft fire.

Aerodrome Bombed

The aerodrome at Verne, north of Trondheim, was also successfully attacked last night.

A large number of enemy aircraft there were repeatedly bombed and machine-gunned by relays of Hudson aircraft.

Much damage is believed to have been done and seven fires were started.

All day long our fighter aircraft have been called upon to engage with the superior forces of the enemy, to drive off formations of bombers which continually harass the Allied troops and to attack their fighter escorts.

After almost every engagement they return after having inflicted heavy losses on the enemy. Then they immediately take off again... to renew the struggle.

One Against Four

Thus, in patrols over France and Belgium yesterday, one squadron of Hurricanes sighted over 100 enemy aircraft. In a series of combats they destroyed 11, eight of which were enemy fighters.

One young pilot, who took on four Heinkel 111's one after the other, destroyed three of them.

Reports which have been received up to now confirm that 30 enemy aircraft were destroyed by R.A.F. aircraft yesterday and many others were heavily damaged.

Victories against such odds are not won without loss and 14 of our fighters are missing.

Week-End Raids

LONDON, May 20 (Reuter).—It is authoritatively learned that fighters and bombers of one R.A.F. group fought their way through waves of German bombers on Saturday and Sunday.

They brought down over 50 Heinkels, Dorniers, Junkers, Messerschmitts. The R.A.F. suffered less than half that number of casualties.

They watched 34 of their enemies crash and knew that their bullets had put another 16 planes out of action.

Further Details

LONDON, May 20 (Reuter).—Further details are now available concerning the operations by R.A.F. bombers on Saturday night.

Their objectives included the large oil storage tanks at Liebig, which is a few miles from Hanover, and the important roads and bridges behind the enemy's lines at Gembloux, Givet, Dinant and Namur.

The attack on the oil storage tanks began shortly before midnight and before the last of the raiders left, about two hours later, fires and explosions made evident the success of their bombardment.

Oil Tanks Still Blaze

At one stage of the operations, seven bombs were seen to fall diagonally across the target and three big explosions immediately followed.

Several huge fires also broke out. On the way home one raider reported that the oil storage tanks at Bremen, which were bombed on Friday night, were still on fire.

New Page in History

LONDON, May 20 (Reuter).—In the last five days the R.A.F. have written a page of history which will perhaps never be forgotten, says Mr. Charles Gardner, the B.B.C. correspondent at the Front.

BATTLE OF THE BULGE

Graphic Description By Eyewitness

LONDON, May 20 (Reuter).—"Reuter's" special correspondent with the B.E.F. writes: "Along the leafy lanes of France across carefully cultivated countryside, the battle of the bulge still rages."

"German heavy columns, led by tanks and shepherded by a vast fan of bomber formations like a flock of birds, are striking westward in a tremendous effort to enlarge the breach in the original Allied line."

Deaths Of Heroism

"In their path deeds of heroism of a high order are an hourly occurrence."

"British armoured vehicles from the north and French from the south charge into the invaders' flanks, while French formations challenge them in front."

"Farm carts, motor-cars and lorries unhesitatingly used as tanks, trunks, railway trucks and any other kind of obstacle were used to barricade the roads."

"Anti-tank guns are rushed into position; fighting vehicles are sent speeding to the battle zone; troops have rushed to fill the gaps. All the time, ships are disgorging fresh troops from England and lorries wheel them from the coast."

"Simultaneously British fighters attack the enemy air formations and bombers blast the ground in front and behind the German columns."

Nazi Push Slowed Down

"Thus the German push has been slowed down, though in the bewildering changes in thrust and counter-thrust it is yet impossible to paint a clear picture of events."

"British aircraft continue their valorous career and fighters up to Saturday had positively destroyed over 200 German machines."

"The average odds against the British pilots have been four to one. On one occasion 11 Hurricanes attacked an aerial armada of 90 German bombers escorted by 21 Messerschmitt 110's and brought down many of the enemy while only four of the British attackers remained when the bombers turned back without dropping a single bomb."

The Bridge Was Destroyed

"R.A.F. bombers have been equally efficacious. After their raids, enemy tanks have been seen afire and overturned, roads have been blocked with wreckage and bridges have been blown up."

"One of the most important bridges survived eight efforts to destroy it. The pilots and crews of four bombers approached the Commanding Officer and the senior pilot said: 'Sir, can we have permission to finish it?'"

"The Squadron Leader replied: 'Do it!'"

"The four bombers ascended. None returned but the bridge was destroyed."

"The Allied Air Forces are taking what may yet prove to be a decisive action. They have already had a great deal of success. They have bombed the petrol stores at Bremen and other cities. The Germans are well aware of the danger of defending their supplies with fighters."

"We have fighters too and machines that are better than the Nazi machines and flown by better pilots."

"We have always come out best in fighter-to-fighter combats. Our bombers have nearly always managed to fight their way through to their objectives."

Sometimes they had to fly at tree level and even around trees above spitting machine guns.

Perhaps one of the most amazing things about the recent air activity has been the way in which pilots, given up for lost, have reappeared.

Brought Down 50 Nazis

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"—LONDON, May 21 (UP).—The revelation that fighter patrols from one R.A.F. unit alone brought down over fifty German planes on Saturday and Sunday was made in an Air Ministry communiqué late last night.

The unit concerned lost about 25 machines in the encounters.

A Look Through The "Telegraph"

50 YEARS AGO

May 20, 1890. According to a home paper, the formation of the native regiment about to be raised for service at Hong Kong is expected to be completed by the end of the month. It will consist of 30 officers, European, and native, and 1,000 men, 10 sergeants, 10 drummers, and 100 rank and file—total 1,010. The necessary votes have been taken in the current year's estimates.

25 YEARS AGO

May 20, 1915. A message from Catala says that Zappella dropped bombs on the killing some children.

10 YEARS AGO

May 20, 1930. The Royal and Ancient game was never so hot as to-day when it was watched by the Prince of Wales, Prince George, the Duke of Devonshire and the Duke of York at Sunningdale.

5 YEARS AGO

May 20, 1935. The world awaits with bated breath the Chancellor Adolf Hitler's speech on German foreign policy in the Reichstag to-morrow p.m. especially as it is believed in some quarters that the chief European governments have let it be known in Berlin that the mere declaration of Germany's desire for peace won't give satisfaction. What is wanted is some definite contribution from Germany to the system of security.

FOOD SITUATION REMAINS GOOD

Encouraging Statement By Minister

LONDON, May 20 (Reuter).—Lord Woolton, the Minister of Food, states that he is satisfied that his organization will be able to deal with the distribution of food supplies even in the event of an air attack on any part of the country.

Place Hope On Roosevelt

Outspoken Stockholm Press Comment

LONDON, May 20 (Reuter).—In Stockholm the newspapers refer to President Roosevelt's recent utterances.

The "Dagens Nyheter" says that "his political opponents hail him as their spokesman."

"All the republics in the Western Hemisphere protest against Germany's attack on Holland and Belgium. The rallying around Wilson was hardly greater on that April day in 1917 when he broke with the German Empire."

The "Social Demokraten" states that it is clear that President Roosevelt has acquired greater freedom for effective material help to the Allies, and that it can only be a question of days or weeks before the American people hasten to the assistance of their European kinsmen."

EIRE CALLS UP RESERVES

DUBLIN, May 20 (Reuter).—It is officially announced that during the week-end certain classes of reservists were recalled to the colours to strengthen the defence forces.

New Powers For Military Courts

PARIS, May 20 (Reuter).—The Council of Ministers met this evening and adopted various decrees enabling military tribunals to deal more rapidly with certain crimes which are regarded as especially grave in the existing circumstances.

Canada To Raise More Troops

OTTAWA, May 20 (Reuter).—According to the "Ottawa Journal," Mr. Mackenzie King is expected to announce that Canada will immediately raise a third division of the active service force which would probably mean that Canada maintain two divisions overseas and a third in Canada for supplying reinforcements.

Safe Guarding The Guider

BATAVIA, May 20 (Reuter).—Foreign exchange restrictions have come into force in the Netherlands East Indies to safeguard the guilder.

CHANGE IN POLICIES

French Appointments Analysed

LONDON, May 20 (Reuter).—"Reuter's" diplomatic correspondent states that the alterations in the French Cabinet and High Command make a very definite change in French policy both on the battlefield and world politics.

General Maxime Weygand's reputation for drive and energy is too well-known to require emphasis. The only surprising feature is that his initials have not been requisitioned earlier for the Western Front, although he had a very important position as C-in-C in the Near East.

Undoubtedly his plans will be the basis of Allied operations should war break out in that theatre.

London Appointment

The new ministerial appointments are regarded in London with general approbation.

The transfer of M. Charles Roux from the Vatican to the post of Secretary-General of the Quai d'Orsay in succession to M. Alexis Leger, who has been Chief of the permanent officials for many years, is considered very significant.

It will in no way affect the closeness of Anglo-French co-operation, but may facilitate a re-orientation of French policy in other directions.

Turkey Impressed

ANKARA, May 20 (Reuter).—Mr. Churchill's rousing speech and the appointment of General Maxime Weygand have caused a favourable impression in Turkey.

The entire press expresses confidence in a final victory for the Allies.

Appointment Welcomed

LONDON, May 20 (Reuter).—Britain warmly welcomes General Weygand's new appointment as Commander-in-Chief in France.

There is supreme confidence here as in Paris of his ability to shoulder the task.

It is recalled that Marshal Foch on his death-bed said that if France was in danger they should send for General Weygand.

He was Marshal Foch's right-hand man and played a great part in preserving Poland in 1920.

He has recently been the French Commander-in-Chief in the Near East.

To-day at 73 he is still at the height of his powers of energy.

Neutral Press Visualise Nazi Defeat

Cite German Failure Of 25 Years Ago

LONDON, May 20 (Reuter).—The Cairo paper, "Wafd Elmasri," says: "Hitler is sacrificing colossal men and materials in a massed mechanised offensive and has succeeded in breaking through the French lines, though not the Maginot Line."

"Those thinkers that it is cause for pessimism should remember the Great War when twice large-scale German offensives took the German armies within measurable distance of Paris, the first leading to the great German defeat at the battle of the Marne, and the second leading to the complete collapse of the German army."

Ignominious Defeat

"In fact the tactical successes achieved by the Germans in 1918 contributed in the long run to their defeat. The enormous losses they suffered and the salients created by those successes rendered them incapable of standing up to the Allied counter-attacks."

"The German system has produced not ultimate victory but ultimate defeat."

Leading Syrian dailies, summing up the events since the Low Countries were invaded, strike an optimistic note, expressing entire faith in the Allies and confidence in ultimate victory.

War Not One Battle

Under the heading "No Justification for Pessimism," the "Annahar," in an editorial, states that war is not one battle, especially the current war, whose parallel is unknown in history. It is a series of battles in which the belligerents face defeats and victory, but the last word will be for those who can stick to the end.

Concluding the paper says that Germany will pay very dearly for every inch they advance. She is in a hurry while the Allies are not.

The German advance on the Western Front is much less than in the last war. Therefore there is no room for pessimism. We have hundreds of reasons that the Allies will ultimately win the war and generations will sing their victory for ages to come.

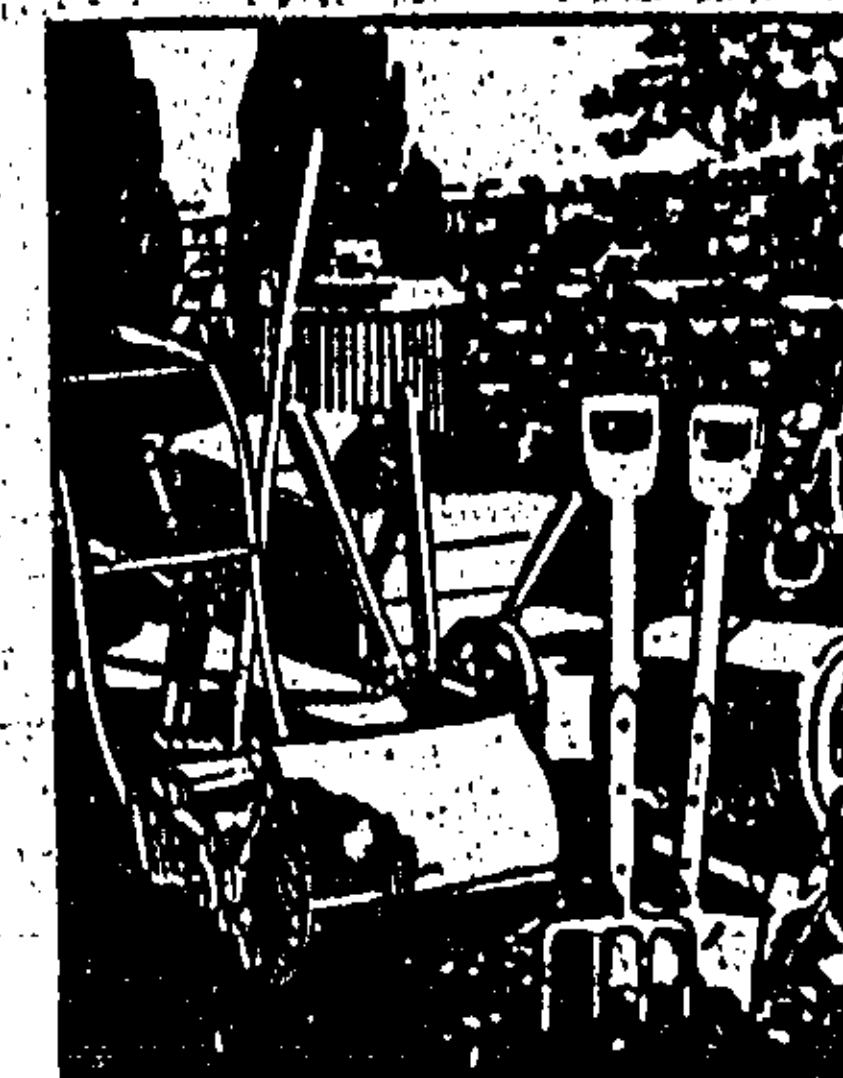
Curbing Nazis In The Americas

NEW YORK, May 20 (Reuter).—The Argentine and Uruguay Governments have now taken action to curb Nazi activities, according to a Buenos Aires dispatch to the "New York Times."

The dispatch adds that Chilean and Bolivian newspapers have called upon their governments to do likewise.

The dispatch also states: "M. Deauler, the former President of the Argentine, has declared: 'There is a well-organized Fifth Column in Argentina.'"

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BATAVIA, May 20 (Reuter).—Foreign exchange restrictions have come into force in the Netherlands East Indies to safeguard the guilder.

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Another Blow For Fifth Columnists
LONDON, May 20 (Reuters).—The Home Secretary has issued an order prohibiting aliens possession of firearms, ammunition and explosives without special Police permit.

The order applies to aliens of all nationalities throughout the United Kingdom.

Junk Upsets: Child Is Drowned
A sudden squall in the harbour yesterday caused the death of a two-year-old child named Chan Yang. The squall upset a junk containing eight people and before rescuers came to hand the infant had disappeared. The remaining seven people were saved.

SHOOTING ACCIDENT

Kowloon Girl Is Wounded

A seventeen-year-old Russian girl is in the Kowloon Hospital this morning, suffering from a bullet wound which was accidentally self-inflicted.

The girl is Norma Knafman, of 11a Carnarvon Road, Kowloon.

According to a report of the incident by Mr. J. E. Tocher, Miss Knafman was among a number of guests who were at a party at his residence at Fanling last night.

At about 11 p.m., Miss Knafman entered a back room to comb her hair.

Bullet Through Shoulder
While she was there she saw Mr. Tocher's 32 revolver on the dressing table and removed it from its holster in order to examine it.

The revolver was loaded and went off as Miss Knafman was examining it. The bullet entered her left shoulder.

She was immediately brought into Kowloon and at hospital this morning her condition was described as satisfactory.

NEW DUTCH CURRENCY

"Pukka Guilders" To Beat The Nazis

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"
LONDON, May 21, (UP).—It is understood that the British and Dutch governments are collaborating in the construction of a new official unit of currency for the Netherlands.

The new unit has been nicknamed the "pukka guilder" and will be entirely separate from the currency issued by the German-controlled Bank of the Netherlands.

The "pukka guilder" will be backed by Dutch gold stocks abroad, which are believed to total between 16,000,000 and 17,000,000 fine ounces.

The new unit will be used by those Dutch concerns, such as Royal Dutch, which were able to transfer their headquarters to the East Indies and other parts of the Empire outside the Netherlands.

CAMBRAI READY

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air bombing—deliberate fire by the Germans who sought to wreck every peaceful French city as their armies passed over it.

Almost everybody living in Cambrai yesterday were inhabitants of the city, which was still under German control.

Yet they hesitated to believe the reports that the Germans were approaching in this war and delayed their evacuation until the authorities sent transports through the streets and ordered a mass exodus.

FLANK ATTACKS

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gun. Each of the seven Frenchmen died at his post.

Pressure Turns
German pressure within the pocket itself has now definitely turned from the south towards Paris towards the west and north-west, the German objective now apparently being Amiens, Arras and thence on to Calais, Dunkerque and the Channel ports.

The main force of the German Army is still only thirty miles inside the French frontier, and the furthest point to which light reconnaissance mechanised troops have penetrated is but sixty miles.

HUNGARIAN PACT

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The impression prevails that the Soviet may be manoeuvring to immediately intervene in the event of the war spreading to the Balkans.

"Router" Report
TOKYO, May 21 (Reuters).—Germany and Hungary signed a secret military agreement in Berlin on May 14, according to reliable information received by the "Asahi Shimbun" from Berlin.

The terms of this agreement are said to include:

- (1) Hungary will permit German troops to pass through Hungary;
- (2) Germany will restore to Hungary part of Czechoslovakia and Yugoslavia, and co-operate in the construction of a greater Hungary.

IL DUCE TO SPEAK

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Schools usually remain open until June 30.

Quit Egypt, Advice To Americans
CAIRO, May 20 (Reuters).—The United States Legation here has advised all Americans to leave Egypt while the shipping routes are still open.

Badoglio Report
ROME, May 20 (Reuters).—Marshal Badoglio to-day personally reported to Signor Mussolini of the inspection which he has made of Italy's western frontier.

Optimistic Press

Weygand Appointment Warmly Welcomed

LONDON, May 21 (Reuters).—While the conflict in France continues to be watched with natural anxiety, but without pessimism, the appointment of General Weygand is welcomed in the British press as a heartening event.

Confidence was unanimously expressed in the new Generalissimo.

The "Daily Mail" says: "The name of Weygand inspires the Allies with confidence. The mere fact of his appointment has had an excellent effect. It is vitally important that the Generalissimo should enjoy not merely the support of the military, but the confidence of the people. In the field, the first shock of surprise is over. Our fighting men have got the measure of the new German tactics. They are meeting them with resource and resolution. In all history there has been no battle like this one. Be sure that at the moment, in the face of any weakness or faltering in the present German onslaught, General Weygand will strike."

Dangerous For Nazis

The "Times" declares: "General Weygand, the veteran, most welcome to the hard-pressed men he has to lead. Perhaps there is more than accidental significance in the replacement of the man of the Marne by the man of the great battles of March, 1918, because the present struggle has less in common with the first German drive for Paris than with the second. Last night's mightiest assault which led to the collapse of the Kaiser's Germany.

"To-day's position is dangerous, but it is dangerous for both sides. The plain reason for the dangerous position to the Allied armies is not the failure of strategy or valor, but deficiency in material. In quality of men and aeroplanes the Germans have been manifestly outclassed, but by sheer weight of numbers they have prevailed. The balance can be redressed by not resting labour at home. The position of the German advanced columns becomes even more difficult to maintain because their communications have become constantly longer and more precarious."

Brussels In German Hands

First Despatch From Former Capital

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"
BRUSSELS, May 21 (UP).—The former Belgian capital is calm following its occupation by German forces.

No telephone calls are permitted anywhere in the city.

Tram cars are still running but taxi cabs and virtually all motor cars have been ordered to remain in their garages.

The famous Hotel de Ville has been taken over as the German headquarters.

German soldiers are posted at various points in the city, and they have been seen to enter the city.

A proclamation by the "Burgomaster" calls on the populace to maintain peace and order and to obey the instructions of the German authorities.

The swastika flies over the City Hall.

SWEDEN DENIES NAZI DEMANDS

STOCKHOLM, May 20 (Reuters).—A report that Germany had presented far-reaching demands to Sweden, including the right to transport men, munitions and equipment across Sweden to Narvik, is stated to be unfounded by the Swedish Foreign Office.

No Confirmation
SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"
STOCKHOLM, May 20, (UP).—Unimpeachable Swedish informants state that Germany has presented far-reaching demands to Sweden, including the right to transport men, munitions and equipment across northern Sweden to reinforce the German at Narvik.

Sweden has rejected the proposals. Negotiations, however, are proceeding.

The report is denied by the German Propaganda Ministry.

No confirmation is obtainable in London.

H.K. MAN KILLED IN ACTION

Geoffrey Polglase, who was Acting Assessor of Rates in the Hongkong Government until his departure on leave last year, has lost his life on active service.

No details are known of the circumstances of his death.

Soon after his arrival in England he joined the Royal Air Force.

He was 33 years of age and was one of the keenest members of the Volunteer Air Arm, H.K.V.D.C.

He arrived in Hongkong in 1935 to take up an appointment in the Assessor's Department. He was taking his first leave when the war broke out and he volunteered for service.

He is the first Hongkong resident to be killed on active service.

JAPANESE TO LEAVE PARIS

PARIS, May 21 (Domet).—The Japanese Embassy in Paris has decided to advise all Japanese residents in the French capital who have no urgent business to detain them to return home immediately.

It has been decided to evacuate Japanese women and children to Biarritz, a picturesque town on the south-western coast of France.

Biarritz has been selected as a convenient centre from which to embark at Lisbon or Bordeaux.

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VICIOUS ATTACK

Prison For Causing Permanent Injury

"You have committed a very deliberate and a very savage attack on this poor fellow, and the result is that he has lost the power of one hand," said the Chief Justice, Sir Athol MacGregor, at the Criminal Sessions this morning, when passing sentence of four years' hard labour on Chiu Tong, a coolie, who was found guilty on a charge of wounding with intent; Li Wah, a workman employed by the Naval Authorities.

The attack occurred on April 1, as Li was leaving the vehicular ferry wharf, Yau-mat, in company with Young Kau, a fellow workman. Chiu approached them from behind and struck Li blows with a chopper on the right elbow and left wrist. Young produced a bottle and struck Chiu over the head with it. The fight broke up on the approach of Traffic-Sgt. D. Brown.

According to the prosecution, the attack was the culmination of an incident between Li and a man named So Yee at Stonecutters Island some months before. Chiu claimed So Yee as his brother.

Severed Tendons

Medical evidence was given that the cut Li sustained on his wrist had severed the tendons and it was improbable he would ever recover the full use of it again.

Chiu declared Li and his friends belonged to a rival faction of workers who often bullied the other workmen, and demanded big wages for money loaned. So Yee was one of those bullied, and defendant kept a chopper in order to protect his brother should he be assaulted. He alleged the witnesses who had given evidence against him in Court had been paid to do so.

RIGHTEOUS WAR

Declares Canadian Political Leader

OTTAWA, May 20 (Reuters).—If ever there was a just war in mankind's history, Canada is now in a righteous one, declared the Conservative Leader, Mr. Hanson, in a debate in Parliament to-day.

Mr. Hanson protested against the weakness of Canada's war preparation in the years past. He appreciated the friendly attitude of the United States, but uttered warning against depending upon America for defence.

He added: "When we have to shelter ourselves under the Stars and Stripes, on that day the Union Jack will be hauled down, never to go up."

Forged Notes Allegations

Charges Against Seven Chinese

Three juveniles were among the seven persons charged before Mr. E. Hingworth at the Kowloon Magistracy this morning with offences connected with forged notes.

Tsang Fung, 45, was charged with possession of 120 \$10 forged notes of the Central Bank of China and a forged \$10 note of the Bank of China.

Lau Fung, 38, was accused of possession of forged \$10 of the Central Bank of China, while a 15-year-old boy was charged with possession of 170 forged \$10 Bank of China notes, 113 forged \$10 notes of the Central Bank of China and 129 forged \$1 notes of the Central Bank of China.

Another juvenile, aged 13, was charged with possession of a forged \$1 note of the Central Bank of China.

Two other defendants were Chan Chi-ping, 22, and Chan Fat-po, and they together with the other defendants, were charged with conspiracy to have custody or possession of forged banknotes.

Mr. Hingworth remanded the case for two days on the application of Det-Sergeant Johnston.

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